

Sayings of *Allah Almighty*

(Extracts from The Holy Qur'an)

Humble Submission

I would like to thank Allah the loftiest for enabling me to compile and publish this book "sayings of Allah Almighty" containing the extracts from the Holy Qur'an on various aspects of human life.

Allah is the omnipotent Lord, when he wills to guide mankind, sends down angels from the Heavens. Every thing in the universe exists and acts according to the plan of the omnipotent providence, but the plan remains mysterious and none in the world knows what is there in store for him. The secrecy of the divine design makes man exert to the utmost limits of his ability with the maximum use of the inherent endowments in him foreseeing good and evil, both at his individual discretion. Had man been informed of his future? The earth would never have been as it is adorned today with the marvels of the human effort applied to it.

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May Allah bestow upon us his blessing and beneficence.

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Extracts From The Holy Qura'an

This is the Book of Allah: there is no doubt about it. It is guidance to God fearing people, who believe in the unseen, establish SALAT and expend out of what we have bestowed on them, who believe in the Book we have sent down to you and in the Books sent down before you, and firmly believe in the hereafter. Such people are on the right way from their Lord and such are truly successful.

(AL-BAQARAH VERSES 1-15)

O Mankind, submit to your Lord who created you and those who were before you: in this way only you may expect to save yourselves. It is He who has made the earth a bed for you and the sky a canopy, and it is He who sends down rain from above for your sustenance, so when you know this, you should not set up equals to rank with Allah.

(AL-BAQARAH 21-22)

How is it that you adopt the attitude of disbelief towards Allah when the fact is that you were lifeless and He gave you life: and He will take away life from you and will again restore you to life: then you shall ultimately return to Him. He it is who created for you all that there is on the earth; He then turned to the sky and ordered it into seven heavens. And He has full knowledge of everything.

(AL-BAQARAH 28-29)

Confound not the Truth with falsehood nor conceal it knowingly. Establish SALAT, pay Zakat and bow before me along with those who bow down. How is it that you enjoin others to follow the Right Way, but forget it yourselves, though you read the scriptures? Have you no sense at all? Seek help with SALAT and fortitude, no doubt, SALAT is a hard task but not for those obedient servants, who realize that ultimately they shall meet their Lord and return to Him.

(AL-BAQARAH 42-46)

Rest assured that whosoever from among the Muslims or the Jews or the Christians or the Sabaeans's believes in Allah and the Last Day, and performs good deeds, he will have his reward with his Lord and he will have no cause for fear and grief.

(AL-BAQARAH 62)

The East and the West all belong to Allah: you will face Allah in whichsoever direction you turn your face: Allah is All Embracing and All Knowing.

(AL-BAQARAH 115)

O Believers, seek help with fortitude and SALAT, for Allah is with those who show fortitude. And do not say of those who are slain in the way of Allah, "they are dead". In fact they are alive but you do not perceive that life. We will surely put you to trial by involving you in fear and hunger and by causing loss of property, life and earning. And give tidings to those who remain steadfast in these trials: when a misfortune comes to them, they say "we are

Allah's and we shall certainly return to Him". Their Lord will bestow great blessings and mercy upon them; such are the people who are rightly guided.

(AL-BAQARAH 153-157)

Indeed Allah curses, and the cursers, too, curse those people who conceal the clear teachings and guidance. We have sent down, after We have made these plain in the Book for the guidance of all mankind. I, however, will forgive those of them who repent of it, mend their ways and make known what they were concealing, for I am very generous in accepting repentance and showing mercy.

(AL-BAQARAH 150-160)

O People, eat of what is lawful and clean in the earth and do not follow the ways of Satan, for he is your avowed enemy. He enjoins you to commit vice and indecency and induces you to attribute to Allah's name things you do not know to be from Him.

(AL-BAQARAH 168-169)

O Believers, if you are true worshipers of Allah alone, eat without hesitation of the good and clean things We have provided you and be grateful to Allah. Allah has forbidden only these things: do not eat what dies of itself, nor blood nor swine flesh nor what has been consecrated to any other name than of Allah. But one will incur no sin if, forced by absolute necessity, he eats of any of these forbidden things, provided he has no intention of transgressing the law and does not take more than what is

absolutely indispensable, for Allah is very Forgiving and very Merciful.

(AL-BAQARAH 172-173)

It is no virtue that you turn your faces towards the East or West, but virtue is that one should sincerely believe in Allah and the Last Day and the angels and the Book and the Prophet and, out of His love, spend of one's choice wealth for relatives and orphans, for the needy and the wayfarer, for beggars and for the ransom of slaves and establish SALAT and pay Zakat. And the virtuous are those who keep their pledges when they make them and show fortitude in hardships and adversity and in the struggle between the truth and falsehood, such are the truthful people and such are the pious.

(AL-BAQARAH-177)

O Believers, the law of retribution has been prescribed for you in case of murder: if a free man commits a murder, the free man shall be punished for it and a slave for a slave, likewise if a woman is guilty of murder the same shall be accountable for it. But in case the injured brother is willing to show leniency to the murderer, the blood money should be decided in accordance with the common law and the murderer should pay it in a genuine way. This is an allowance and mercy from your Lord. Now there shall be a painful torment for anyone who transgresses the limits after this. O men of understanding, there is security of life for you in the law of retribution. It is expected that you will refrain from breaking this law.

(AL-BAQARAH 178-179)

It has been prescribed for you that when death approaches one of you and he is leaving some property behind, he should bequeath it equitably for his parents and relatives, and it is an obligation on those who fear Allah. Then if those, who heard the will, change it, they themselves shall bear the sin of this. Allah hears everything and knows everything. If, however, one apprehends genuinely that the testator had done some injustice, and then alters the will to set things right between the parties concerned, he does not incur any sin. Allah is Forgiving and Merciful.

(AL-BAQARAH 180-182)

O Believers, the Fast has been made obligatory on you just as it was prescribed for the followers of the Prophets before you. It is expected that this will produce piety in you. The Fast is to be observed for a fixed number of days. If, however, anyone of you be sick or on a journey, he should fast the same number of the other days. As for those who can Fast (but do not) the expiation of this shall be the feeding of one needy person for one Fast day, and who does more than this with a willing heart does it for his own good. But if you understand the thing, it is better for you to observe the Fast.

(AL-BAQARAH 183-184)

Ramadan is the month in which the Quran was sent down: this Book is a perfect guidance for mankind and consists of clear teachings which show the right way and are a criterion of the truth and falsehood. Therefore from one whosoever witnesses it, it is obligatory on him to fast

the whole month, but if one is ill or on a journey, he should make up for the same number by fasting on other days. Allah desires to show leniency to you and does not desire to show any hardship, therefore this method is being shown to you so that you may complete the number of fast days and glorify Allah for the guidance He has shown to you and be grateful to Him.

(AL-BAQARAH 185)

Do not usurp one another's property by unjust means nor offer it to the Judges so that you may devour knowingly and unjustly a portion of the goods of others.

(AL-BAQARAH 188)

And fight in the way of Allah with those who fight against you but do not commit aggression because Allah does not like the aggressors.

(AL-BAQARAH 190)

Spend your wealth in the way of Allah and do not cast yourselves into ruin with your own hand. Do all things gracefully, for Allah loves those who do all things with excellence.

(AL-BAQARAH 195)

When you make up your mind to perform Hajj and Umrah, accomplish these to please Allah. But if you are hemmed in somewhere, then offer to Allah whatever sacrifice you can afford. And do not shave your heads until the sacrifice reaches its place. But whoever among

you is sick or has an ailment of the head and has his head shaved shall atone for this either by fasting or by almsgiving or by offering a sacrifice. However when you are secure, whoever takes advantage of this opportunity to perform Umrah shall offer the sacrifice that he can afford. But if he cannot afford a sacrifice, he shall fast three days during the Hajj season and seven days after reaching home, that is, ten days in all. This concession is only for those whose homes are not near the Masjid-i-Haram: refrain from transgressing these commandments of Allah and know it well that Allah is very severe in punishment.

(AL-BAQARAH 196)

There is a certain type of person who charms you in this worldly life with his glib talk. He calls Allah to witness again and again that he cherishes good intentions in his heart, whereas, in fact, he is the deadliest opponent of the truth. When he gets power he directs all his efforts towards spreading mischief in the land, destroying harvests and killing the human race whereas Allah does not like mischief. And when it is said to him "Fear Allah", vanity seizes him and makes him adhere to the sin. Hell is the proper place for such a person and it is a very bad dwelling indeed.

On the other side, there is another type of person who devotes his whole life to please Allah, and Allah is gracious to such of his servants.

O Believers, enter completely into Islam and do not follow in the footsteps of Satan for he is your avowed enemy. If you lap back after receiving the clear teachings that have come to you, know it well that Allah is all

powerful, all wise. Do they await that Allah himself should come down to them in the canopies of clouds with a retinue of angels, and seal their doom? Ultimately every thing shall be presented before Allah.

(AL-BAQARAH 204-210)

This worldly life has been made very charming and alluring for those who have adopted the way of disbelief. So they mock at those, who have adopted the way of belief, but the pious people will rank above them on the day of resurrection. As to the worldly provisions, Allah has full authority and power to bestow these without measure on anyone He wills.

(AL-BAQARAH 212)

The people ask “what should we spend” tell them, “whatever you spend, spend for your parents, your relatives, orphans, the needy and the wayfarer, and Whatever good you do, Allah has knowledge of it”

You have been enjoined to go to war, and you dislike it, it may be that you dislike a thing and the same is good for you, and you love a thing and the same is bad for you: Allah knows but you do not.

(AL-BAQARAH 215-216)

They ask you about drinking and gambling. Say, there is great harm in both, though there is some benefit also for people. But the harm of the sin thereof is far greater than their benefit.

And they ask, "what ought we to spend? Say "spend whatever you can spare". Thus Allah makes His commands clear to you so that you may think about the good of both, this world and the hereafter.

(AL-BAQARAH 219-220)

Do not marry "mushrik" women unless they believe, a slave woman who believes is better than a free woman who does not believe, even though the latter may appear very attractive to you. Do not wed your women to mushrik men unless they believe, a slave man who believes is better than a free man who does not, even though he may be very pleasing to you. These mushrik people invite you to the fire while Allah by His grace invites you to the Garden, and His pardon, and He makes His revelations plain to the people so that they should learn a lesson and follow the admonition.

(AL-BAQARAH 221)

Do not use Allah's name for such oaths as are taken to keep back from virtue, piety and the welfare of mankind. Allah hears everything you utter and knows everything. Allah does not call you to account for unintentional and meaningless oaths but will surely take you to task for oaths taken deliberately and in earnest: Allah is forgiving and forbearing.

(AL-BAQARAH 224-225)

DIVORCE

Those who take an oath to keep apart from their wives are given four months. Then if they resume their relations, Allah is forgiving and merciful. And if they resolve on divorce, Allah hears everything and knows everything.

Divorced women must wait for three months courses. And it is not lawful for them to hide what Allah has created in their wombs, if they sincerely believe in Allah and the last day. Their husbands are best entitled to take them as their wives during this waiting period, if they desire reconciliation.

Wives have the same rights as the husbands have on them in accordance with the generally known principles. Of course, men are a degree above them in status, and above all is Allah, the Al Mighty, the All Wise.

Divorce may be pronounced twice, then either keep the wife with honour or let her leave gracefully. And it is not lawful for you to take back anything out of what you have given them. There is however, an exception to this: if you fear that they might not be able to keep within the limits imposed by Allah, there is no harm if both agree mutually that the wife should obtain divorce by giving something as compensation to the husband. These are the bounds set by Allah: therefore do not violate them, for those who violate the bounds of Allah are the transgressors.

And if the husband divorces his wife (for the third time) she shall not remain his lawful wife after this divorce,

unless she marries another person and the second husband divorces her, there is no harm if they re-marry, provided that the woman and her first husband are convinced that they will be able to keep within the bounds fixed by Allah. And these are Allah's bounds, which He makes clear for the guidance of those who know.

And when you have divorced your wives and they are about to complete their prescribed term, then either retain them gracefully or release them generously. It is transgression to retain them merely for harassment: and whoever does that indeed wrongs his own self. Do not play with Allah's commandments, and remember that Allah has blessed you with a great favour. He admonishes you to show due respect to the Book and the Wisdom He has sent to you. Fear Allah and know that He is fully aware of everything.

When you have divorced your wives absolutely and they have completed their prescribed term, then you should not prevent them from marrying their prospective husbands, if they mutually agree to marry each other in a lawful way. You are enjoined not to commit such an offence, if you sincerely believe in Allah and the last day. It is most decent and pure for you to desist from this thing, Allah knows and you know not.

The mothers shall suckle their children for two whole years, if the fathers desire the suckling to be completed. In that case the father of the child shall, in the fair known way, be responsible for their food and clothing. But none should be burdened with more than one can bear: neither the mother should be pressed unjustly just because she is the mother nor should the father be burdened just because he is the father. And the same responsibility for the

maintenance of the mother devolves upon the father of the child and his heir. There is no harm if they wean the child by mutual consent and consultation. Moreover, there is no harm if you choose to give your children to suckle by a wet nurse, provided that you pay her fairly. Fear Allah and know it well that whatever you do is in the sight of Allah.

If those of you, who die, leave wives behind, they should abstain (from marriage) for four months and ten days. Then, when their waiting term expires, they are free to do whatever they choose for themselves, provided that it is decent: you shall not be answerable for this: Allah is fully aware of what all of you do. It is no offence if you make indirect proposal of marriage to widows during their waiting term or keep it concealed in your hearts: for Allah knows that you will naturally think of them. But be careful not to make any secret engagement. If you have to do anything, do it in an honourable way. And you should not settle anything finally about the marriage until the waiting term expires. Understand it well that Allah knows even what is hidden in your heart; so fear Him. Also know that Allah is Lenient and Forgiving.

It is no sin if you divorce your wives while you have not yet touched them or fixed any dowry for them. In such a case, pay them something anyhow. A rich man should pay fairly according to his means and a poor man according to his resources, for this is an obligation on the righteous people. In case you fixed a dowry for them and then divorced them before you touched them, you should pay half of the fixed dowry. But there is no harm if the woman agrees to forgo it or the man, in whose hands is

the marriage tie, is generous enough. And if you act generously, it is akin to piety. Do not forget to show generosity in your dealings with one another for Allah sees what you do.

(AL-BAQARAH 226-237)

Those of you, who shall die and leave wives behind them, should make a will to the effect that they should be provided with a year's maintenance and should not be turned out of their homes. But if they leave their homes of their own accord, you shall not be answerable for whatever they choose for themselves in a fair way; Allah is All-powerful, All Wise, Likewise, the divorced women should also be given something in accordance with the known fair standard. This is an obligation upon the God-fearing people.

Thus Allah makes clear His commandments for you; it is expected that you will use your common sense.

(AL-BAQARAH 240-242)

Take great care of your prayers, especially of a prayer that has excellent qualities of SALAT and stand before Allah like devoted servants. Even if you are in danger, you must offer your prayer anyhow on foot or on horseback. And when you have peace again, remember Allah in the manner He has taught you, which you did not know before.

(AL-BAQARAH 238-239)

CHARITY

O Believers, spend of the wealth we have bestowed upon you before the day comes when there shall be no buying and no selling. When neither friendship nor intercession will be of any avail. Those, who adopt the way of disbelief, are indeed the wrong doer.

(AL-BAQARAH 254)

The charity of those who expend their wealth in the way of Allah may be linked to a grain of corn, which produces seven ears and each ear yields a hundred grains. Likewise Allah develops manifold the charity of anyone He pleases, for He is All Embracing, All-wise.

Those people who expend their wealth in the way of Allah and then do not follow up their charity with reminders of their generosity nor injure the feelings of the recipient, shall get their reward from their Lord; they will have no fear and no sorrow of any kind. A kind word and forbearance is better than that charity which is followed up by insult and injury. Allah is self-sufficient and forbearing.

O Believers, do not spoil your charity by taunts and injury to the recipient, like the one who practices charity to be seen by others, while he neither believes in Allah nor in the Last Day. His charity may be linked to a rainfall on a rock which had only a thin layer of soil upon it. When heavy rain fell on it, the whole of the soil was washed away and the rock was left bare. Such people do

not gain the reward they imagine they have earned by their seeming charity; Allah does not show the Right Way to the ungrateful.

In contrast to them, the charity of those, who expend their wealth sincerely with the sole desire of pleasing Allah, may be linked to a garden on a plateau. If heavy rain falls, it yields its produce two fold: and even if there is no heavy rain but only a light shower, that too is sufficient for it: whatever you do is in the sight of Allah.

(AL-BAQARAH 261-265)

O Believers, expend in Allah's way the best portion of the wealth you have earned and of that we have produced for you from the earth, and do not pick out for charity those worthless things which you yourselves would only accept in disdain by connivance, if they were offered to you. Understand well that Allah does not stand in need of anything whatsoever and has all the praise-worthy attributes. Satan holds out to you the threat of poverty and prompts you to adopt a shameless niggardly conduct, but Allah holds out from Himself the promise of pardon and bounty: Allah is All-Embracing, All-Knowing.

He bestows wisdom upon anyone He wills and he who is given wisdom is, in fact, given great wealth, but only those who have common-sense learn lessons from these things.

Surely, Allah knows whatever you may have spent and whatever vow you may have made, and wrong doers shall have no helpers.

If you practice charity publicly, it is good, but if you give charity secretly to the needy, it is much better for you, for this will do away many of your sins. Anyhow, Allah is well aware of whatever you do.

O Prophet, you are not responsible for their guidance, Allah Himself shows guidance to anyone He pleases. And whatever wealth you spend in charity, it is for your own good. As you spend of your wealth to win Allah's pleasure, you will be given full reward for whatever you spend and you will not be deprived in the least of your rightful due.

Those who are engaged so much in the cause of Allah that they cannot move about in the land to earn their livelihood and are, therefore, in straitened circumstances, specially deserve help. An ignorant person would suppose them to be well off because of their self respect, you can know their real condition from their faces, for they are not the ones who would beg of people with importunity. And Allah will surely know whatever you will spend on them.

Those who spend their wealth secretly and openly by day and night, will have their reward with their Lord, and they have nothing to fear or to grieve.

(AL-BAQARAH 267-274)

INTEREST AND BUSINESS

Those who devour interest become like the one whom Satan has bewitched and maddened by his touch. They have been condemned to this condition because they say "Trade is just like interest", whereas Allah has made trade lawful and interest unlawful. Henceforth, if one abstains from taking interest after receiving this admonition from his Lord, no legal action shall be taken against him regarding the interest he had devoured before; his case shall ultimately go to Allah. But if one repeats the same crime even after this, he shall go to Hell, where he shall abide for ever. Allah deprives interest of all blessing and develops charity, and Allah does not like an ungrateful, sinful person. As to those who believe and do good deeds, establish SALAT and pay Zakat, they will most surely have their reward with their Lord and they will have nothing to fear.

O Believers, fear Allah and give up that interest which is still due to you, if you are true believers, but if you do not do so, and then you are warned of the declaration of war against you by Allah and His Messenger. If, however, you repent even now, you are entitled to your principal: do no wrong and no wrong will be done to you. If your debtor be in straitened circumstances, give him time till his monetary condition becomes better. But if you remit the debt by way of charity, it would be better for you, if you only knew it.

Guard against the disgrace and misery of the day when you shall return to Allah: there everyone shall be paid in

full for the good or evil one has earned and none shall be wronged.

O Believers, when you contract a debt for a fixed term, you should put it in writing. Let a scribe write with equity the document for the parties. The scribe whom Allah has given the gift of literacy should not refuse to write. Let him write and let the one under obligation (the debtor) dictate and he should fear Allah, his Lord, and should not diminish from or add anything to the terms which have been settled. But if the borrower is of low understanding or weak or unable to dictate, then let the guardian of his interests dictate it with equity. And let two men from among you bear witness to all such documents. But if two men be not available, there should be one man and two women to bear witness so that if one of the women forgets, the other may remind her. The witnesses should be from among such people whom you approve of as witnesses. When the witnesses are asked to testify, they should not refuse to do so. Do not neglect to reduce to writing your transaction for a specified term, whether it be big or small. Allah considers this thing more just for you, for it facilitates the establishment of evidence and lessens doubts and suspicions. Of course, there is no harm if you do not put in writing the common commercial transactions you conclude daily on the spot, but in case of commercial transactions you should have witnesses. The scribe and the witnesses should not be harassed: if you do so, you shall be guilty of sin. You should guard against the wrath of Allah; He gives you the knowledge of the right way, for Allah has the knowledge of everything.

If you are on a journey and cannot find a scribe to write document, then transact your business on the security of a pledge in hand.

And, if anyone transacts, a piece of business with another merely on trust, then one who is trusted should fulfil his trust and fear Allah, his Lord. And never conceal evidence for he who conceals it, has a sinful heart: Allah knows everything you are doing.

(AL-BAQARAH 275-283)

You can never attain piety unless you spend of what you love; surely Allah will have full knowledge of what you spend.

(AL-I-IMRAN 92)

Undoubtedly the first house of worship ever to be built for mankind is the one which is at Makkah: it was blessed and made the centre of guidance for all the peoples. In it are clear signs: there is the spot where Abraham used to worship: then it is the sanctuary, and whoever enters it becomes safe and secure. Allah has, therefore, a right on the people that the one, who can afford to reach the house, should perform Hajj there: and the one who disobeys, Allah is All-sufficient and does not stand in need of any creature of the worlds.

(AL-I-IMRAN 96-97)

O Believers, fear Allah as He should be feared and see that you do not die save as true Muslims. Hold fast

together to Allah's cord and let nothing divide you. Remember the favour of Allah upon you, when you were enemies to one another. Then He united your hearts, and by His grace, you became like brothers and you were on the brink of an abyss of fire and He rescued you from it. Thus does Allah make His signs clear to you so that you may find the right path to true success by these.

(AL-I-IMRAN 102-103)

Yet all the people of the Book are not alike: there are among them some who are steadfastly on the right path, who recite the revelations of Allah at night and fall prostrate before Him; who believe in Allah and the Last Day; who enjoin what is right and forbid what is wrong and remain earnestly engaged in good works. There are the righteous people, and whatever good they do, they will not be denied the just reward for it, for Allah knows well the pious people. As for those who have adopted the way of disbelief, neither their wealth nor their children shall avail them against Allah; they deserve Hell, and therein they shall abide forever. Whatever they are spending in this worldly life may be linked to the wind that brings frost in it and smites and destroys totally the tillage of those who have been unjust to themselves. Allah has not done any injustice to them but, in fact, they themselves are doing injustice to themselves.

(AL-I-IMRAN 113-117)

O Believers, do not take into your confidence any other than the people of your own community, for they never miss any opportunity of exploiting any weakness of

yours. They desire that which is harmful to you; their malice has become apparent from what they say; but what they conceal in their hearts is yet far worse. We have made clear to you the signs thereof, if you are wise. As for you, you love them but they do not love you, even though you believe in all the revealed books. When they meet you, they say, we also believe but when they go aside, they bite their finger tips in their rage against you. Say to them, "Perish in your rage: Allah knows even that which is hidden in the hearts". They grieve if you are blessed with some good and rejoice if an evil befalls you. But their crafty schemes cannot harm you at all, if you show fortitude and fear Allah in whatever you do. Allah encircles whatever they are doing.

(AL-I-IMRAN 118-120)

O Believers give up the devouring of interest by doubling and redoubling it, and fear Allah: it is expected that you will achieve success, and guard yourselves against the fire which has been prepared for the disbelievers, and obey Allah and his messenger; it is expected that you will be shown mercy. Hasten to follow the path that leads to forgiveness from your Lord and to the Garden, which is as vast as the heavens and the earth and has been prepared for those pious people who spend their wealth freely in the way of Allah alike in prosperity and in adversity; who control their rage and forgive other people. Allah likes such good people very much who if ever they commit a base deed or wrong their own soul by the commission of a sin, remember Allah instantly and ask for forgiveness from him for their shortcomings, for who, but Allah, can forgive sins? Who do not knowingly

persist in the wrongs they did. These will be rewarded with forgiveness from Allah and with Gardens beneath which canals flow and they will reside therein for ever and how excellent is the reward of those who do good deeds! As for those who treated (the Divine revelations) as false, traverse the land and see for yourselves the wretched end of such people, who lived during the eras before your time. This is clear warning for the people and guidance and admonition for those who fear Allah.

(AL-I-IMRAN 130-138)

Be not faint hearted and be not sorrowful, for you will surely gain the upper hand, if you be true believers. If you have received a blow now, your enemy received a similar blow. These are the vicissitudes of time that we alternate among the people; this has been done so that Allah may test who were true believers among you and may choose the true witnesses; for Allah does not like the workers of inequity-and by this test He willed to sort out the believers and to crush down the disbelievers. Do you think that you will enter paradise without undergoing any trial? Allah has not yet tried you to see who among you are ready to lay down their lives in His way and who will show fortitude for His sake. You used to long for death but that was before you confronted it. Well, now it has come before you, and you have seen it with your own eyes.

(AL-I-IMRAN 139-143)

No human being can ever die save Allah's leave, and the time of death has been pre-ordained. Whoever makes

efforts with the intention of the reward of this world, We will reward him in this world, and whoever makes efforts with the intention of the reward of the hereafter, will get it, and we will certainly reward the grateful servants.

(AL-I-IMRAN 145)

Do not regard as dead those who have been slain in the way of Allah: nay, they are really alive and are well provided for by their Lord. They rejoice in what Allah with his bounty has given them, and are happy to think that there is nothing to fear or to grieve also for those Believers whom they have left behind and who have not yet joined them. They feel happy to have received the reward and the bounty of Allah and they have come to know that most surely Allah does not let go to waste the reward of the believers.

(AL-I-IMRAN 169-171)

Let not those whom Allah has blessed with His bounty and are behaving in a niggardly manner think it to be good for themselves; nay, it is very bad for them. Whatever they are hoarding parsimoniously shall be hung round their necks like a collar on the Day of Resurrection; for Allah alone will inherit all that is in the heaven and the earth and He is fully aware of what you are doing.

(AL-I-IMRAN 180)

O Muslims, you shall surely be tried in your possessions and in yourselves; you shall hear many hurtful things from those who were given the Book before you and

from those who associate other gods with Allah. But if you show fortitude, and fear Allah under all circumstances, this will be constancy of purpose. Remind the people of the Book of the covenant that Allah made with them and enjoined: "you shall spread the teachings of the Book among the peoples and shall not keep these concealed". But they flung the Book behind their backs and bartered it away for paltry worldly gains. What a bad business they are carrying on! Do not think that those, who exult in their misdeeds and who love to be praised even for deeds they have not actually performed, shall escape chastisement; the fact is that a grievous chastisement awaits them; for to Allah belong the earth and the heavens and He has power over each and every thing.

(AL-I-IMRAN 186-189)

"I do not let go to waste the labour of any worker from among you, whether male or female, for all of you are the offspring of one another. I will, therefore, forgive all the shortcomings of those who left their homes or were expelled from them for my sake or were persecuted and of those who fought for my cause and were slain, and admit them to the gardens underneath which canals flow" this is their reward from Allah and with Allah alone is the richest reward.

(AL-I-IMRAN 195)

O Believers, practice fortitude and show valour in fighting against the worshippers of falsehood; be ever prepared for the service of the truth, and always fear Allah. It is expected that you will achieve true success.

(AL-I-IMRAN 200)

DIVISION OF INHERITANCE

O mankind, fear your Lord, Who created you of a single soul and of the same created his mate, and from that pair spread countless men and women over the earth, fear that Allah in whose name you demand your rights from one another and abstain from violating relations between kins folk; note it well that Allah is watching you very closely.

Restore to the orphans their property, and do not exchange your worthless things for their valuable things, and do not devour their property by mixing it up with your own, for it is a great sin.

(AN-NISA 1-2)

Do not give to the feeble minded people that property which Allah has made the means of your maintenance: you should, however, provide them with food and clothing and give them good advice.

And go on observing and testing the orphans until they reach the marriageable age: then if you perceive that they have become capable, deliver to them their property. Be on your guard against devouring their property unjustly and wastefully and hastily lest they should grow up to demand it. If the guardian of an orphan is rich let him abstain from the orphan's property, and if poor, let him eat of it fairly. When you hand over to them their property, then have some people to witness it, and Allah suffices a Reckoner.

(AN-NISA 5-6)

There is a share for men in what has been left by parents and near relatives, and there is a share also for women in what has been left by parents and near relatives, whether it be little or much: for this share has been prescribed. And if the people of the family, orphans and the poor be present at the division of the inheritance, give them also something out of it and speak to them kind words.

Let the people apprehend and be afraid of this: how solicitous they would have been on the eve of their death about the helpless children they would be leaving behind. They should, therefore, fear Allah and say the just and right thing. In fact, those who grab unjustly the property of the orphans, fill their bellies with fire, and most surely they shall be thrown into the burning fire of Hell.

(AN-NISA 7-10)

As regards inheritance, Allah enjoins you concerning your children that:

The share of the male shall be twice than that of the female.

In case the heirs be more than two females, their total share shall be two third of the whole and if there be only one daughter, her share shall be half of the whole.

If the deceased has children, each of his parents shall get one sixth of the whole but if he be childless and his parents alone are his heirs, the mother shall have one-third of the whole.

If the deceased has brothers and sisters also, the mother shall be entitled to one-sixth of the whole.

The division of all these shares shall take place only after fulfilling the terms of the will and after the payment of the debt. As regards your parents and your children, you do not know who is more beneficial to you. Allah has apportioned these shares and most surely Allah is All knowing, All wise.

And you will get half of what your wives leave behind, if they be childless; but if they leave children, then your share will be one-fourth of what they have left, after the fulfilment of their will and the payment of their debt. As for them, they will be entitled to one-fourth of the inheritance left by you, if you are childless; but in case you leave behind children, their share will be one-eighth of the whole after the fulfilment of your will and payment of your debt.

And if the deceased, whether man or woman, leaves no children and no parents behind, but has one brother or one sister alive, each of two will be entitled to one-sixth of the whole, but in case the brothers and the sisters are more than one, then the total share of all of them will be one-third of the whole, after the fulfilment of the will and the payment of the debt, provided that it is not injurious. This is the commandment of Allah and Allah is All knowing and lenient.

(AN-NISA 11-12)

Note it well that Allah's acceptance of repentance is for those people only, who commit an evil in ignorance, and then repent of it soon after this. Allah again turns kindly to such people, for Allah is All knowing, All wise. But

there is no repentance for those who persist in their evil deeds until the dying hour comes to anyone of them; then he says, "Now I repent". Nor is repentance for them who die as unbelievers: for such people we have prepared a painful torment.

(AN-NISA 17-18)

O Believers, it is not lawful for you to become the heirs of widows by force; nor it is lawful that you should treat your wives harshly in order to deprive them of a part of the dowery you have given them. However (you have the right to treat them harshly) if they are guilty of adultery. You should live with them in an honourable manner, even if you dislike them; it is possible that Allah may bring much good to you through that very thing you dislike. And if You make up your mind to marry another woman in place of the one you already have, do not take back anything out of what you have given her, even though it may have been a heap of wealth. Will you take it back by slander and gross injustice? And how is it proper for you to take it, when both of you have enjoyed conjugal happiness and she received from you a solemn pledge of union.

(AN-NISA 19-21)

And do not marry at all those women whom your father had married though what has happened in the past is excepted. This is an indecent and abominable thing and an evil practice.

Forbidden to you are your mothers, daughters, sisters, paternal aunts, maternal aunts, brother's daughters,

sister's daughters. Your foster mothers who have given a suckle to you, your foster sisters, who have taken suckle with you, the mothers of your wives, the daughters of your wives whom you have brought up, the daughters those wives with whom you have conjugal relations, but not of those wives with whom you have had no conjugal relations, and it is not sinful for you to marry their daughters (after having divorced them); and also forbidden to you are the wives of your sons who are from your loins, and it is unlawful for you to keep two real sisters as wives at one and the same time.

(AN-NISA 22-23)

O Believers do not devour one another's property by unlawful ways; do business with mutual consent. And do not kill yourselves; believe it that Allah is compassionate to you. We shall throw into the fire the one who commits such acts of aggression and injustice; and this is very easy for Allah.

(AN-NISA 29-30)

If you abstain from heinous sins which you are being forbidden, we will remit your trivial offences and admit you to a place honour.

(AN-NISA 31)

All of you should serve God and associate none with Him; and show kindness and affection to your parents, and be kind to near relatives, and to orphans, and to the needy; and be considerate to your neighbours, kinsmen and strangers and to the companions at your side and to

the wayfarer and to the slaves in your possession. Believe it that Allah does not like such persons who are self-conceited and are niggardly and bid others to be niggardly, and conceal the bounty of Allah that He has bestowed upon them. We have prepared a disgraceful chastisement for such ungrateful wretches. And Allah does not like those who expend their wealth to be seen by people, for they do not believe sincerely in Allah and the Last Day. The fact is whoever has Satan for a comrade, has a very evil company.

(AN-NISA 36-38)

Do not offer prayer if you are intoxicated; for prayer should be offered only when you know what you are saying. Likewise do not offer prayer, if you are unclean, until you take your baths, except when passing on the way and if you are sick or on a journey or if any one of you has relieved himself or you have touched woman and can find no water, then cleanse yourself with pure dust by rubbing it on your face and hands; no doubt Allah is Lenient and Forgiving,

(AN-NISA 43)

O Muslims, Allah enjoins you to give the trusts into the care of those persons who are worthy of trust and to judge with justice when you judge between the people. Excellent is the counsel that Allah gives you, for Allah hears everything and sees everything

(AN-NISA 58)

When anyone greets you in a respectable manner greet him with a better salutation than his or at least return the same; indeed Allah takes count of everything.

(AN-NISA 87)

“Shirk” is the only sin that Allah does not forgive. He may forgive whomever he will, other than this sin, for whoever associates partners with Allah does, in fact, go far astray into deviation.

(AN-NISA 116)

“Be you the standard-bearers of justice and witnesses for the sake of Allah, even though your justice and your evidence might be harmful to yourselves, or to your parents, or to your relatives. It does not matter whether the party concerned is rich or poor; Allah is their greater well-wisher than you; therefore, do not follow your own desire lest you should deviate from doing justice. If you distort your evidence or refrain from the truth, know it well that Allah is fully aware of what you do.

(AN-NISA 135)

Allah does not like that a person should utter evil words except when one has been wronged; Allah is all- Hearing, All- Knowing. Yet if you go on doing good openly and secretly or at least refrain from evil, you should know that Allah is forgiving whereas He is All- powerful to punish.

(AN-NISA 148-149)

You are forbidden carrion and blood, the flesh of swine and of that animal which has been slaughtered in any

other name than that of Allah, and of the strangled animal, and of that beaten to death or killed by a fall or gored to death or mangled by a beast of prey. Save of that you duly slaughtered while it was still alive and of that which is slaughtered at shrines. It is also unlawful for you to try to find your fortune by means of divining devices, for all these things are sinful acts. Today the disbelievers have despaired of your religion, therefore do not fear them but fear me. Today I have perfected your religion for you and completed my blessings on you and approved Islam as the way of life for you; if however one, dying of hunger, eats of any of these forbidden things, provided that he is not inclined towards sin, he will find Allah Forgiving and Compassionate.

(AL-MAIDAH 3)

All the good and pure things have been made lawful for you; the food of the people of the Book is lawful for you, and your food for them. Likewise you are permitted to marry chaste believing women or chaste women from among the people who were given the scripture before you, provided that you give them their dowries and become their protectors in wedlock; this permission is not for sensual licence or secret illicit relations; whoever rejects the way of faith, all the deeds of his life shall become vain and he shall be bankrupt in the hereafter.

(AL-MAIDAH 5)

When you rise to offer the SALAT you must wash your faces and hands and arms up to the elbows and wipe your heads with wet hands, and wash your feet up to the

ankles, and if you have become unclean, cleanse yourself with a full bath; if, however, you are sick or are on a journey or if any of you has relieved himself or if you have touched women and you can find no water, then cleanse yourselves with pure dust; strike your palms on it and wipe your hands and face with it. Allah does not will to make life hard for you, but He wills to purify you and complete His blessings upon you so that you may show gratitude.

(AL-MAIDAH 6)

Be steadfast in righteousness and just in giving witnesses for the sake of Allah; the enmity of any people should not so provoke you as to turn you away from justice. Do justice for it is akin to piety. Fear Allah: indeed He is fully aware of what you do.

(AL-MAIDAH 8)

Your friends, indeed, are Allah and His Messenger and the Believers who establish the Salat, pay the Zakat and bow down before Allah. And whoever makes Allah and His Messenger and the Believers his friends; let him know that Allah's party will surely come out victorious.

(AL-MAIDAH 55-56)

Allah does not take you to task for the inadvertent oaths you swear, but He will surely call you to account for the intentional and deliberate oaths you make. The expiation is to feed ten indigent persons with the food you normally serve in your own family; or to give them clothes or to

free one slave and the one who cannot afford any of these, let him fast three days. This is the expiation of breaking the solemn oaths you have taken; be mindful of your oaths. Thus Allah makes His commandments plain to you so that you may show gratitude.

(AL-MAIDAH 89)

O Believers, wine, gambling (ungodly) shrines and divining devices are all abominable works of "Satan" therefore refrain from these so that you may attain true success. Indeed Satan intends to sow enmity and hatred among you by means of wine and gambling, and to prevent you from the remembrance of Allah and from Salat. Will you not, therefore abstain from these things? Obey Allah and His Messenger and abstain from these things; but if you will disobey, note it well that our Messenger's only responsibility was to convey the Message only.

(AL-MAIDAH 90-92)

Look after your own souls; it can do no harm to you, if anyone else goes astray, provided that you yourselves are on the right path. To Allah shall you all return: then He will let you know what you have been doing?

(AL-MAIDAH 105)

Losers indeed are those who consider it a lie that they will ever have a meeting with Allah. When the hour will overtake them unawares, they will exclaim "Alas! how negligent we have been of this matter?" And they will be carrying the burden of their sins on their backs: behold how evil is the burden they are carrying!

This worldly life is but a sport and pastime. In fact, the adobe of the Hereafter is better for those who desire to be safe from harm. Will you not, then, use your common sense?

(AL-ANAM 31-32)

Allah is the splitter of the seed-grain and the fruit-stone; it is He who brings forth the living from the dead and the dead from the living. It is Allah who does all these things: where, then, are you being misled? He causes the dawn to appear out of the curtain of the night, it is He who has ordained the night for rest and determined the time of the rising and the setting of the moon and the sun: All these things have been determined by the same All-powerful and the All-Wise One.

And it is He who has set up the stars for you so that you may find your way in the deep darkness of the land and the sea. Behold we have made our signs clear for those people who possess knowledge. And it is He who created you from a single soul and provided for each of you a dwelling place and a repository. We have made these signs clear for those who are men of understanding. And He it is who sent down rainwater from the sky and thereby caused every kind of vegetation to grow, and then with it produced green fields and trees and from the blossoms of palm-trees brought forth laden sheaths of clustering dates and vineyards and olive groves and gardens of pomegranates: though their fruits resemble, yet each has its distinctive quality. Behold! how they bring forth fruit and how their fruits ripen, for there are indeed signs in these things for those who believe. Yet

they set up jinns as partners with Allah, whereas He is their creator; they have also invented for Him sons and daughters without having any knowledge whereas He is absolutely free from and exalted far above the things they say. He is the originator of the heavens and the earth: how should He have a son, when He has no consort? He has created everything and He has the knowledge of everything. This is, then, Allah, your Lord; there is no deity but He; He is the creator of everything: so worship Him alone, for He is the guardian of everything. No sight can comprehend Him but He comprehends all sorts of sight, for He is All-Comprehensive and All-Aware.

(AL-ANAM 95-103)

The grade of everyone is determined in accordance with his deeds: and your Lord is not unaware of the deeds of the people. Your Lord is All-sufficient and is full of compassion. If He wills, He may remove you and replace you by whomever He wills, just as He has raised you from the offspring of other people. Indeed, the thing which you are being promised shall most surely come and you have no power to frustrate Allah. O Muhammad, Say "O people you may do whatever you like in your own way and I am doing whatever I deem right, but you shall soon know who comes out successful in the end; anyhow the fact is that the workers of iniquity can never attain true success".

(AL-ANAM 132-135)

O Muhammad, Say to them, "come, I will recite what limits your Lord has set for you. That you should not set

up anything as a partner with Him, and you should treat your parents kindly, and you should not kill your children for fear of poverty, for we provide sustenance for you and will provide sustenance for them also, and you should not go near indecent things whether they be open or hidden, and you should not kill any living being whom Allah has forbidden to kill except by right. These are the things which He has enjoined on you: it may be that you see your common sense. And He has enjoined that you should not go near the property of an orphan except in the best way, until he reaches his maturity, and you should use a full measure and a just balance. We charge every person only with that much responsibility that he can bear, and whatever you say should be just, even if it is concerning your own relatives, and you should fulfil your covenant with Allah. Allah has enjoined these things on you so that you may follow the admonition. And Allah also enjoins: "This way alone is My Right Way", therefore, you should follow this way and should not follow other ways lest they should lead you astray from His way. This is what Allah has enjoined on you so that you may avoid crooked ways"

(AL-ANAM 151-153)

You have nothing to do with those, who have split up their religion and become sects. Their case rests with Allah, and He Himself will let them know what they have done. He, who will bring a good deed before Allah will receive a tenfold reward for it, and he, who will bring an evil deed, shall receive only that much punishment which he deserves and no one will be treated unjustly.

(AL-ANAM 159-160)

There have been many habitations which we destroyed. Our scourge came upon them all of a sudden at night or at a time during the day when they were taking rest. And when our scourge overtook them, the only cry they could utter was "indeed, we were transgressors".

(AL-A-RAF 4-5)

We established you on the earth entrusting you with power and providing you with sustenance, but, you are seldom grateful.

(AL-A-RAF 10)

O children of Adam, we have sent down to you clothing in order to cover the shameful part of your body, and to serve it as protection and decoration, and the best garment is the garment of piety. This is one of the signs of Allah; it may be that the people learn a lesson from this. O children of Adam, let not Satan seduce you in the same way that he caused your first parents to be driven out of the Garden and stripped them of their garments in order to expose their shameful parts before each other. He and his party see you from where you cannot see them. We have made these Satans the guardians of those who do not believe.

(AL-A-RAF 26-27)

O children of Adam adorn yourselves fully, at the time of every worship; eat and drink, but do not transgress, for Allah does not like the transgressors.

(AL-A-RAF 31)

Believe it that the doors of heaven will not be opened for those, who have treated our revelations as false and have shown pride in regard to them: their admission into paradise is as impossible as the passing of the camel through the eye of the needle; so do we recompense the guilty ones. Hell shall be their bed and Hell shall be their covering. This is the chastisement we award to the workers of iniquity.

(AL-A-RAF 40)

In fact, your Lord is Allah alone, who created the heavens and the earth in six days, and then sat upon the throne of His Kingdom. Who makes the night cover the day and then the day follows the night swiftly; who created the sun, the moon and the stars, all of which are under His command. Note it well. His is the creation and His the sovereignty. Full of blessings is Allah, the Lord of the worlds! Invoke your Lord with humility and in secret; indeed He does not like the transgressors. Do not spread chaos on the earth after it has been set in order, and call your Lord with fear and with hope. Surely, the mercy of Allah is near to the righteous people.

And it is Allah, who sends winds as harbingers of good tidings of His mercy, when they gather up heavy clouds He drives them on to some dead land, and makes the rain fall upon it and brings forth many kinds of fruit. Look This is how We bring forth the dead from the state of death; it may be that you learn a lesson from this observation. The soil which is rich yields rich produce by Allah's permission and the soil which is poor yields nothing but poor produce. Thus do We present our signs

over and over again for those people who intend to be grateful.

(AL-A-RAF 54-58)

Allah is entitled to most excellent names. So call Him by excellent names only and leave alone those who deviate from the truth in giving names to Him; they shall be recompensed for what they have been doing. And among those whom We have created, there are some who guide with the truth and do justice therewith. As regards those who have treated our revelations as false, We will gradually lead them on to ruin in a way they will not know. Though I am giving them respite, My plan is infallible.

(AL-A-RAF 180-183)

When you encounter, as an army, the disbelievers in a battle, do not turn your backs on them. Whoever turns his back on such an occasion, except it be as a strategy, or to join another troop, shall incur the wrath of Allah: Hell shall be his abode: the most wretched place of retreat.

(AL-ANFAL 15-16)

O Believers, respond to the call of Allah and His messenger, when the messenger calls you to that which will give you life. And know that Allah stands between a man and his heart, and that to Him you shall be mustered. And guard against that mischief which will not bring punishment in particular to the mischief maker alone from among you: and know that Allah is severe in

inflicting punishment. Recall minding the time when you were few in number and were regarded weak in the land, and were fearful lest the people should do away with you; then Allah provided you with a place of refuge, strengthened you with his succour and bestowed pure and good provisions upon you so that you may be grateful. O Believers do not betray Allah and his messenger nor violate your trust knowingly. And know that your worldly goods and your children are, in fact, a test for you, and Allah has plenty for giving you reward. O Believers, if you are God-fearing, He will provide you with a criterion, and will cleanse you of your evils, and forgive your shortcomings. Allah is bountiful in his favours.

(AL-ANFAL 24-29)

O Believers, fight with the disbelievers till there is no more mischief left and the way of life prescribed by Allah is established in its entirety. Then if they desist from mischief, surely Allah beholds what they do, but if they give no heed, know it that Allah is your protector, and He is the best of protectors and helpers.

(AL-ANFAL 39-40)

Indeed the vilest creatures on the earth in the sight of Allah are those people who denied the Truth, and then would not at all believe in it, those of them with whom you made treaties and who violate them time after time and do not fear Allah in the least: if you encounter them in combat, make of them a fearsome example for others who would follow them so that they might be unnerved. It is expected that they will learn a lesson from the end of

the treacherous people. And if you ever fear treachery from any people, throw their treaty openly before them; indeed Allah does not like the treacherous people. Let not those who deny the truth delude themselves that they have won the game, indeed they are incapable of frustrating Us.

(AL-ANFAL 55-59)

Those who embraced the faith emigrated and exerted their utmost in the way of Allah, and those who gave refuge to the emigrants and helped them, are true believers: there is forgiveness for them and the best of provisions. And those who embraced the faith afterwards and emigrated and joined with you in your exertions for the faith, are also of you, but according to the Book of Allah the blood relations have greater rights on one another. Indeed Allah knows everything.

(AL-ANFAL 74-75)

O Believers do not take your fathers and brothers as allies, if they choose disbelief in preference to faith; for whoever of you will take them as allies shall surely be the workers of iniquity. O Prophet, tell them plainly, "if your fathers and your sons, and your brothers, and your wives, and your near and dear ones and the wealth which you have acquired and the trade you fear may decline and the homes which delight you if all these things are dearer to you than Allah and His messenger and the struggle in His way, then wait till Allah passes His Judgment on you; for Allah does not guide the wicked people.

(AL-TAUBAH 23-24)

March forth whether you are light or heavy, and exert your utmost in Allah's way with your possessions and your lives: this is best for you, if you but know it.

(AL-TAUBAH 41)

As regards the true Believers, men and women, they are all comrades to one another: they enjoin what is good and forbid what is evil; they establish the "SALAT", pay the Zakat and obey Allah and His Messenger. It is they upon whom Allah will most surely send His blessings. Allah is All-Mighty, All-Wise. Allah has promised to the Believers, both men and women, the gardens underneath which canals flow and wherein they will abide for ever: there will be neat and clean dwelling places for them in those gardens of perpetual bliss; and, above all, they will enjoy Allah's pleasures; this is the supreme success.

(AL-TAUBAH 71-72)

This Qur'an is not a thing that could be composed without Allah's Revelation: it is the confirmation of what was revealed before it, and full explanation of the "Book". There is no doubt that it is from the Lord of the universe.

(YUNUS 37)

O Prophet, We are witnessing whatever work you may be engaged in and whatever portion you may be reciting from the Qur'an; We are also keeping a watch, O people over whatever you are doing: for there is not an iota of anything, small or big, in the earth and the heaven that is hidden from your Lord, and everything is on record in the

clear register. Listen: those who are Allah's friends and who believe and fear God, shall have no occasion for fear and sorrow: there is nothing but good news for them in this world and in the Hereafter: Allah's words cannot be changed this is the greatest success. O prophet, let not their remarks grieve you, for honour wholly rests with Allah. He is the All-hearing, All-Knowing.

(YUNUS 61-65)

O Muhammad, tell them "O mankind, the truth has come to you from your Lord. Now, whosoever follows the Right Way does so for his own good, and whosoever goes astray, does so to bring about his own ruin, and I am not a keeper over you". And O prophet, go on following the guidance that has been revealed to you; persevere steadfastly till Allah passes His judgment; for He is the best of judges.

(YUNUS 108-109)

If We show man our mercy and then deprive him of it, he is filled with despair and shows ingratitude. And if after the adversity that had visited him, We bestow favours upon him, he says, "All my sorrows have gone from me" and grows over jubilant and arrogant. Only those are free from this, who are steadfast and do good deeds: they are the ones who will have forgiveness and a rich reward.

(HUD 9-11)

Those who desire this worldly life and its splendours, are given the full reward of their works here and nothing is detracted from it. But there is nothing for them except the fire of the next world. All that they did in this world had

come to naught and whatever they did was useless and worthless.

(HUD 15-16)

Do not incline even in the least towards the workers of iniquity, lest you should come within the reach of the Fire. Then you will find no protection to defend you against Allah nor will you get any help from any quarter. And listen. Establish the SALAT at the two ends of the day and in the early part of the night. Indeed virtues remove evils. This is a reminder for those who remember Allah. And practice fortitude, for Allah does not let go waste the reward of those who do good.

(HUD 113-115)

O Muhammad, We relate the stories of the Messengers to you to strengthen your heart by these. Through these you have received the knowledge of the reality and the believers have got an admonition and a reminder. As regards those who do not believe, say to them, "you may go on following your way and we will follow our way. You may wait for its ultimate end, and we, too, shall wait for it". Everything that is hidden in the heavens and the earth is in the power of Allah and everything is returned to Him. So, O Prophet, serve Him and put your trust in Him, for your Lord is not unaware of what you are doing.

(HUD 120-123)

O Muhammad! All the Messengers whom we sent before you, were also human beings, and lived in the same habitation, and to them We sent our revelations. Have

these people, then, not travelled in the land and seen what has been the end of these who have passed away before them? Surely, the abode of the Hereafter is far better for those who adopted the attitude of piety.

(YUSUF 109)

It is Allah who rose up the heavens without such pillars as you could see: then He sat Himself upon the throne of His kingdom. He subjected the sun and the moon to a law. Everything in the universe is running its course to a fixed term. And Allah alone is directing the whole affair. He makes His signs plain: May be you are convinced of meeting your Lord.

And it is He who spread out the earth, and fixed the immovable mountains in it, and made the rivers flow on it. He has created in pairs every kind of fruit, and He covers the day with the veil of night. Surely there are great signs in these for those who reflect upon them.

And behold! There are different regions on the earth, close to one another, there are vineyards, corn fields and groves of date-palm with single or double trunk. All are irrigated with the same water, yet we make some more tasteful than others. Most surely there are many signs in all these things for those who use their common sense.

(AR-RA'D 2-4)

Allah knows what every female bears in her womb: He is fully aware of what is taking shape in the womb and also what decrease or increase occurs therein. Every thing has

its fixed measure with him. He has perfect knowledge of both the visible and the invisible. He is the great and the Supreme Being. Alike to Him are all of you, whether one of you whispers or speaks aloud or one hides oneself under the cover of the darkness of night or walks about in the broad day light. For each person has guardians before him and behind him, who watch over him by Allah's command. The fact is that Allah does not change a people's lot unless they themselves change their own characteristics, and when Allah decide to bring about retribution to a people, none can ward it off, nor can they find any defender or helper against Allah.

(AR-RA'D 8-11)

It is He who makes the lightning flash before you to fill you both with fear and with hope: it is He who raises clouds laden with water. The thunder glorifies Him with His praise and the angels, too, glorify Him in awe of Him. He lets loose thunderbolts and smites with them whomsoever he wills, while they are wrangling about Allah. The fact is that His plan is very effective.

(AR-RA'D 12-13)

Allah sent down water from the sky and every system carried it along according to its capacity: then there was flood and swelling foam came to the surface. Likewise, there arises a scum out of the metals which are melted in the furnaces for making ornaments and utensils. By such similitude, Allah makes the truth distinct from falsehood. That which is the foam vanishes and that which is

beneficial for the people remains on the earth. In this way Allah cites similes to make His Message clear.

(AR-RA'D 17)

Allah gives abundantly His provision to whom He wills and sparingly to whom He pleases. These people are wholly absorbed in the joys of this life, whereas the life of this world is but a paltry thing as compared with the life of the Hereafter.

(AR-RA'D 26)

Note it well that it is Allah's remembrance alone that brings comfort to the hearts. Blessed are those who have accepted the message and done righteous deeds: they have a good end.

(AR-RA'D 29)

O Muhammad! This is a Book which We have sent down to you so that you may bring mankind, by the help of their Lord, out of the dark ways into the Light, to the way of that God, who is All-Powerful and inherently All-Praiseworthy and the Owner of whatever is in the heavens and the earth.

(ABRAHAM 1-2)

Whenever We sent a Messenger to convey Our message, he delivered it in the language of his people so that he may make it plain to them. Then Allah lets go astray

whomever He wills and shows guidance to whomever He desires: He is All-Powerful, All-Wise.

(ABRAHAM 4)

The works of those who disbelieved in their Lord may be likened to the ashes which the wind scatters on a stormy day. They shall not be able to gain anything from what they did. This is the extreme deviation. Do you not see that Allah has based the creation of the heavens and the earth on truth? If He wills, He can put you away and bring a new creation in your place; that is in no way difficult for Allah.

(ABRAHAM 18-20)

And those who have believed and done righteous deeds shall be admitted to gardens underneath which canals flow. There they shall abide forever by the permission of their Lord, and there they shall be welcomed by "Peace be on you". Do you not see to what Allah has likened the "Pure Word"? It is like a good tree whose root is firmly fixed in the earth and whose branches reach into heaven. It bears good fruit every moment by the permission of its Lord. Allah cites these parables so that people may learn a lesson from them. And an "evil word" may be likened to an evil tree, which is torn out from the earth and has no stability. Allah makes the believers steadfast in the life of this world and of the Hereafter with the firm world but lets the transgressors go astray. Allah has full power to do as He wills.

(ABRAHAM 23-27)

O Prophet! Tell My servants who have believed to establish "SALAT" and expend openly and secretly out of what We have given them before that day comes when there shall be no buying and selling and no friendly help.

Allah is He Who has created the heavens and the earth, and sent down rainwater from the sky wherewith He produced different kinds of fruits for your food: Who subdued the ship for you that it may sail in the seas by His order, and subdued the sun and the moon so that they should steadfastly pursue their courses and He subdued the day and night for you. It is He who fulfilled all your requirements, so much so that you cannot count His bounties, if you try to number them. The fact is that man is very unjust and ungrateful.

(ABRAHAM 31-34)

Do not think that Allah is unaware of what these unjust people are doing: He is only deferring their case to the day when all eyes shall stare with consternation. They shall be running in terror with heads uplifted and eyes fixed upwards and hearts becoming void. O Muhammad, forewarn them of the day when our scourge will overtake them, and then these wrong doers will say "Our Lord! Give us a little more respite. We will respond to the message and follow the Messengers".

Are you not the same people who swore before this that you would never meet with a decline, whereas you had lived in the habitation of those who had wronged their own souls and seen how We had dealt with them, and We had held them up to you as examples? They had tried all their cunning devices but Allah had the remedy to

counteract their devices, even though those were so powerful as to move the mountains.

(ABRAHAM 42-46)

The time is not far when the same people who have today refused to accept will regret and say "we wish we had surrendered to it". Leave them alone to eat, drink and be merry and to be deluded by false hopes. They will soon realize it. We had prescribed a respite for every habitation that We destroyed before this. No community is destroyed before the expiry of its respite nor is it allowed to survive it.

(AL-HIJR 2-5)

It is We Who have divided the heavens into many fortified spheres for the sake of administration and adorned and decked them for the beholders, and guarded them from every accursed Satan. No Satan can pass through them except that he may eaves-drop but a fiery flame pursues that eaves-dropper.

We stretched out the earth and set firm mountains upon it, and caused to grow therein every kind of vegetable in balanced measure. And We provided therein means of substance for you and for many other creatures for whom you do not provide. There is not a thing whose treasures are not with us, and We send down each thing in appropriate measures. It is We Who send the fertilizing winds: then We send down rainwater from heaven, and give it to you to drink; and it is not you who hold the stores of this wealth. It is We Who give life and death and

We will be the inheritors of all. We have full knowledge about those who lived before you and We are keeping watch over their successors. Most surely your Lord will gather them together for He is All-Wise, All-Knowing.

(AL-HIJR 16-25)

O Prophet! Tell my servants "I am very forgiving and merciful, but at the same time My chastisement is also very severe".

(AL-HIJR 49-50)

He created man from an insignificant sperm drop, and behold! By and by he became a manifest disputant. He has created cattle, which provide you with clothing and food, and other benefits too. They look pleasant when you drive them to the pasture in the morning and bring them home in the evening. They carry your burdens to far-off lands, which you could not reach without painful toil. Indeed, your Lord is All-Compassionate and All-Merciful. He has created horses and mules and donkeys so that you may ride them, and they may add splendour to your life. He created many other things, of which you have no knowledge at all. And upon Allah it rests to show the Right Way when there exists crooked ways, too. He would have guided all of you aright, if He had so willed.

He it is Who sends down water for you from the sky which provides drink for you and brings forth fodder for your cattles. And thereby He grows for you crops and olives and date-palms and vines and different kinds of

many other fruits. Surely there is a great sign in this for those who ponder.

(AN-NAHL 4-11)

He has subjected to your service the day and the night and the sun and the moon: likewise are subjected all the stars by His command. In this there are many signs for those who make use of their common sense. And in the many things of different colours He has created for you in the earth, there is indeed a sign for those who learn lessons from them.

It is He who has subjected the sea to your service so that you may get fresh flesh from it to eat and bring out of it articles of ornament, which you wear. And you see that the ship ploughs her course through it. This is so that you may seek of His bounty and show gratitude to Him.

He has driven mountains firmly into the earth lest it should turn away from its usual course along with you. He has caused rivers to flow and made natural ways so that you may be directed aright. He has placed landmarks to direct people, and by stars, too, they are directed aright.

Is, then, He who creates, like those who create nothing? Do you not understand even this much? If you try to reckon up Allah's blessings, you cannot count them. Indeed He is forgiving and compassionate, though He knows all that you conceal and all that you reveal.

And the other beings whom the people invoke instead of Allah create nothing; nay, they are themselves created. They are dead, not living, and they do not at all know when they shall again be raised to life.

Your God is one Allah, but the hearts of those, who do not believe in the Hereafter, are given to denial, and they are puffed up with pride. Surely Allah has full knowledge of their deeds, both secret and open. He does not like those people, who are puffed up with pride.

(AN-NAHL 12-23)

As for those, who after persecution, left their homes for the sake of Allah, We shall give them a good abode in the world, but the reward in the next world is far better. Would that those who have borne oppression with fortitude, and are performing their mission with full trust in their Lord, knew?

(AN-NAHL 41-42)

Whatever blessing you enjoy it is from Allah alone; then, when you have a hard time, you, with your supplications, run to Him for help. But no sooner does He relieve you of your distress than some of you begin to associate others with Him to show ingratitude for Allah's favour. Well you may enjoy yourselves for a while for you shall soon come to know.

(AN-NAHL 53-55)

And surely there is a lesson for you in the cattle: We give you to drink of that which is in their bellies, between filth

and blood, which is pure milk, which is very pleasant to those who drink it.

We give you from date-palms and vines a drink from which you derive intoxicants and also pure food: Indeed, there is a sign in this for those who make use of their common sense.

And behold! Your Lord has inspired the bee with this: "Build thy hives in the mountains, and the trees and the creepers over trellises: then drink nectar from every kind of fruit, and follow the ways made smooth by the Lord". From its belly comes out a fluid of varying hues wherein is healing for mankind. Here is indeed a sign for those who ponder over it.

(AN-NAHL 66-69)

And consider this: Allah created you: then He caused your death, and someone of you is carried on the abject old age so that after knowing all he could, he may know nothing. The fact is that Allah alone is All-Knowing, All-Powerful.

Consider also this: Allah has favoured some of you above others in provisions, but those who have been favoured like this, do not give away their provisions to their slaves so that both may have equal shares in it. What! Do they then deny to acknowledge Allah's favour only.

And Allah it is who has made wives for you from your own species and bestowed upon you sons and grandsons from those wives and provided you with good things to eat. What, do they, then believe in falsehood, and deny

Allah's favour and instead of Allah, worship those who do not provide them with anything from the heavens or the earth, nor have any power to do so? Make no comparisons, therefore, with Allah. Allah knows but you do not know.

(AN-NAHL 70-74)

And Allah alone has the knowledge of the hidden things of the heavens and the earth. As regards the coming of the Resurrection, it will not take longer than the twinkling of an eye, rather less than this; the fact is that Allah has power over all things. Allah brought you out of your mother's wombs while you knew nothing: he gave you ears and eyes and thinking minds so that you may be grateful.

Have they never observed how the birds are poised in the vault of heaven? Who holds them up but Allah? There are many signs in this for those who believe.

Allah has made your homes places of rest and peace for you: and from the skins of cattle He has made for you houses which you find light during your journey and when you halt. And from their soft fur and wool and hair, He has furnished you with many things for clothing and domestic service which are very useful to you during your prescribed term of life.

Allah has provided for you from many things He has created shelter from the sun. He has made for you places of refuge in the mountains and blessed you with such garments as protect you from heat and garments which shield you in your fights. Thus He perfects His blessings

on you, so that you should submit to Him. But if they turn away, O Muhammad, your only responsibility is to convey the plain Message of truth. They recognize the blessings of Allah, yet they deny it, for the majority of them are not inclined to accept the Truth.

(AN-ANHL 77-83)

Allah enjoys justice, generosity and kind treatment with kindred, and forbids indecency, wickedness and oppression. He admonishes you so that you may learn a lesson. Fulfil your covenant with Allah when you have made a covenant with Him and do not break your oaths after they have been confirmed and you have made Allah your witness. Allah is fully aware of your actions. Do not behave like the woman who had spun yarn laboriously and then had herself broken it into pieces. You make your mutual oaths a means of mutual deceit in your affairs so that one people might take undue advantage over the other whereas Allah puts you to trial by these pledges. Allah will certainly reveal to you the truth about all your differences on the Day of Resurrection. Had Allah so willed He would have made you all a single community, but He leads astray whom He wills and shows guidance to whom He wills And certainly you will be questioned about your doings.

(AN-ANHL 90-93)

Do not barter away the covenant of Allah for paltry gains: Indeed what is with Allah is far better for you if you knew it. Whatever is with you is transitory and whatever is with Allah is everlasting. And We shall reward those

who practice fortitude, according to their best deeds. Whosoever does righteous deeds, whether male or female, provided that he is a Believer, We will surely make him live a pure life in this world and in the Hereafter We will reward such people according to their best deeds.

Then when you begin to recite the Qur'an, seek Allah's refuge against the accursed Satan, for he has no power over those who believe and put trust in their Lord; he has power only over those who make him their patron and practice "Shirk" by his temptation.

(AN-NAHL 95-100)

Whoever is forced to disbelieve after believing, while his heart is convinced of the Faith but whoever accepts disbelieve willingly, incurs Allah's wrath, and there is a severe torment for all such people. This is because they preferred the life of this world to the life in the Hereafter, and Allah does not show the way of salvation to those who are ungrateful. Allah has sealed the hearts, the ears and the eyes of such people and they have become neglectful: therefore it is inevitable that they should be losers in the Hereafter. On the other hand, Allah is most surely forgiving and compassionate towards those who, when they were persecuted left their homes and migrated and struggled hard in the way of Allah and practiced fortitude (All these will be Judged) on the day when everyone will be recompensed fully for his own deeds and none shall be unjustly dealt with in the least.

(AN-NAHL 106-111)

O Prophet! Invite to the way of your Lord with wisdom and excellent admonition and argue with people in the best manner. Your Lord knows best who has gone astray from His way and who is rightly guided. And if you retaliate, let your retaliation be to the extent that you were wronged, but if you endure it with patience, it is indeed best for those who endure with patience. O Muhammad, go on performing your mission with fortitude and you can practice fortitude only with the help of Allah; do not be grieved at their doings nor distress yourself at their intrigues, for Allah is with those who fear Him and adopt the righteous attitude.

(AN-NAHL 125-128)

Indeed, the Qur'an shows that way which is perfectly straight. To those who believe in it and do good deeds, it gives the good news that there is a great reward for them, and to those who do not believe in the hereafter, it gives the warning that a painful torment has been made ready for them.

(BANI ISRA'IL 9-10)

Man invokes evil as he should invoke goodness, for he is very hasty and impatient.

Behold, We have created the day and the night as two signs: We have deprived the sign of the night of light and made the sign of the day bright to enable you to seek bounty of your Lord and to reckon months and years. Thus We have made everything manifestly distinct.

We have fastened the augury of every man to his own neck and on the day of resurrection We shall bring forth a writing which he will find like an open book. Here is your record, read it. Today you yourself suffice as a reckoner against yourself.

Whosoever adopts the righteous way, his righteous conduct will be for his own good, and whosoever goes astray, his deviation shall bring its consequences on him. No bearer will bear the burden of another. And we do not inflict punishment until we have sent a Messenger.

(BANI ISRA'IL 11-14)

Do not associate another deity with Allah, otherwise you shall be reduced to a state of ignominy and helplessness.

Your Lord has enjoined the following:

You should not worship anyone but Him.

Treat your parents with great consideration; if either or both of them live with you in their old age, do not say even "fie" to them; nor rebuke them, but speak kind words to them; treat them with humility and tenderness and pray: Lord be merciful to them just as they brought me up with kindness and affection.

Your Lord best knows what is in your minds. If you live righteously, He surely forgives and turns towards all such people as are patient and obedient.

Fulfil your obligations towards your relatives and the indigent and wayfarer.

Do not be spendthrift because the spendthrifts are the brethren of Satan and Satan has been ungrateful to his Lord. If you have to put them (the needy persons) off because you are still waiting for Allah's favour that you are expecting, put them off with tenderness. Do not tie your hand to your neck nor stretch it without any restraint lest you should, become blameworthy and left destitute. Your Lord provides plentifully to whom He wills and withholds His provisions from anyone He pleases, for He is fully aware of the condition of His servants and observes them closely.

Do not kill your offspring for fear of want: for it is We who provide for them and for you as well. Indeed, their killing is a heinous crime.

Do not even go near fornication for it is a very indecent thing and a very evil way.

Do not kill any soul whose killing has been forbidden by Allah, except by right: and if one is killed unjustly we have granted the right of retribution to his guardian. So he should not transgress the limits in retaliation, for he shall be helped.

Do not go near the property of an orphan except in the best manner until he reaches the age of maturity.

Keep your pledges, for you shall be accountable for your pledges.

Give full measure when you measure and weight with even scales when you weigh. This is the best way and proves to be the best in the end.

Do not follow that of which you have no knowledge for you shall be questioned for (the use) of your eyes, ears and minds.

Do not strut about in the land, for you can neither cleave the land nor attain the heights of the mountains.

(BANI ISRA'IL 22-37)

Establish the SALAT from the declining of the sun to the darkness of the night, and be particular about the recital of the Qur'an at dawn, for the recital of the Qur'an at dawn is witnessed. Besides this, offer "Tahajjud" prayer at night: this is an additional prayer for you. That time is not far when your Lord may exalt you to a laudable position.

(BANI ISRA'IL 78-79)

And declare: "The truth has come and falsehood has vanished, for falsehood is a thing that must by its nature vanish".

We are sending down to you through the revelation of the Qur'an what is a healing and a mercy to the Believers, though it adds nothing but loss to the workers of iniquity. Man is a creature: when We bestow favour on him, he behaves arrogantly and turns his back, but when misfortune befalls him, he begins to despair. O Prophet say to them, "Everyone is following his own way but your Lord alone knows best who is on the right way.

(BANI ISRA'IL 81-84)

O Prophet Say to them "you may call Him by any name, Allah or Rahman: call Him by whatever name you may, for all His names are most excellent. And do not raise your voice high in your prayer nor make it very low but adopt the middle way between these two and say "praise is for Allah who has taken no son nor has any partner in His kingdom nor is helpless to need a supporter". And glorify Him in the most glorious way.

(BANI ISRA'IL 110-111)

And O Prophet, bring home to them the reality of this worldly life by a parable. It is like the vegetation of the earth that flourished luxuriantly when we sent down rain water from the sky, but afterwards the same vegetation was turned into chaff, which is blown away by the wind: Allah has power over everything. Likewise this wealth and the offspring are mere transitory adornment of worldly life: In fact, the abiding good deeds are best in the sight of your Lord in regard to their end, and these alone hold out greater hopes for you.

The only thing for which you should prepare, is the Day when We shall set the mountains in motion, and when you will find the earth naked, and We shall muster together all human beings in a way as to leave none at all behind, and all shall be presented before your Lord in rows.

Well you may see that you have come before us in the same condition in which We created you at first; you were under the delusion that We had not fixed any time of appointment with you. Then the record of deeds shall

be set before them. At that time you will see that the criminals will be afraid of the record of their book of life and will say woe to Us! What sort of a book this is! It has left nothing unrecorded of our doings, small or great. They will see before them everything, whatsoever they had done, and your Lord will not be unjust to anyone in the least.

(AL-KAHF 45-49)

The only mission for which we send the messengers is to convey good news and give stern warning, but the disbelievers employ weapons of falsehood to defeat the Truth, and they hold up to ridicule My servants and the warning that have been sent to them. Now who can be more unjust than the person before whom his Lord's Revelations are recited to admonish him, and he turns away from them and forgets the evil and to which he has paved the way with his own hands? We have put coverings over their hearts which do not let them understand the Qur'an, and We have produced heaviness in their ears. While in this state, they will never be guided aright howsoever you may invite them to the guidance.

(AL-KAHF 56-57)

O Muhammad, Say, "If the waters of the ocean were to become ink to write the words of my Lord, it would exhaust, but the words of my Lord will not exhaust: nay, even if We brought as much ink again, it will not suffice for that".

O Muhammad, Say, I am a human being like you: it has been revealed to me that your God is only One God.

Therefore the one, who expects to meet his Lord, should do righteous deeds and should not associate anyone with Him in worship.

(AL-KAHF 109-110)

Most surely the time is coming near, when the merciful will fill the hearts with love of those who have believed and are doing righteous work. So O Muhammad, We have made this Qur'an easy, and sent it down in your tongue so that you should give good news to the pious and warn the obdurate people. We have destroyed many of people before them: do you find any trace of them or hear any whisper of them anywhere?

(MARYAM 96-98)

We have sent down the Qur'an to you to put you in distress. This is an admonition of every such person who fears. This has been sent down by the One, who has created the earth and the high heavens. The merciful is sitting on the throne of the kingdom: He is the owner of all that is in the heavens and the earth and all that is between them and under the soil. Whether you utter your supplications in a loud voice, for He knows not only what is said in a low voice but also what is kept most secret. He is Allah: there is no god but He; His are all the excellent names.

(TA HA 1-8)

We have not created for a pastime the heavens and the earth and whatever is between them. Had We meant to make it a play thing and nothing more than this, We would have done it by Ourselves. But We give falsehood a hard blow with the truth, which breaks its head and falsehood vanishes away in no time; and there is woe for you because of the falsehood you invent.

(AL-ANBIYAA 16-18)

Have not the people, who have disbelieved, ever considered this: the heavens and the earth were at first one mass; then We parted them, and created everything from water. Do they not acknowledge? And We set mountains firmly in the earth lest it should tilt to one side along with them, and We left therein open paths so that they may find their way. And We made the sky a safe canopy, but in spite of this they do not pay due heed to its signs. And it is Allah, who has made the night and the day and created the sun and the moon, all of them are floating, each in its own orbit. And O Muhammad, no man have We made immortal before you; then, if you die, will they live for ever? Every living being has to taste death, and We are putting, all of you, to trial by passing you through good and bad conditions, and ultimately you shall return to Us.

(AL-ANBIYAA 30-35)

On the day of resurrection, We shall set up just and accurate balances so that no one will be wronged in the least in anyway; even if it be an act equal in weight to a

grain of mustard seed, We shall bring it forth and We suffice for reckoning.

(AL-ANBIYAA 47)

Whosoever does good deeds, and he is a believer as well, his work will not be treated slightingly: We are recording it all. And it is not possible that the habitation We have once destroyed gets another lease of life until Gog and Magog are let loose; they will swoop down from height, and the time of the fulfilment of the true promise will draw near, where upon the eyes of those who had disbelieved will be struck with amazement; they will say, woe to us! we were headless of this: nay, we were wrongdoers. As a matter of fact, you and your deities, whom you worship beside Allah, are fuel of Hell, wherein you have to enter; had they really been God, they would not have gone there; now therein they will dwell forever. There they will groan, but they shall hear nothing. As for those for whom We will already have ordained good, they will be kept far away from it, they will not even hear its faintest sound and they shall dwell for most; the time of the great fright will not trouble them at all. The angels will rush forth to receive them, saying, this is the very day which you were promised.

On that day, We shall roll up the sky as the leaves of paper are rolled up in a written scroll. We shall bring for the creation once again as We had originated it before. This is a promise We have made to ourself, and We have to fulfil it. And We have written in the Psalms after the admonition: Our righteous servants will inherit the land. Surely in this there is a great news for those people who worship Us.

(AL-ANBIYAA 94-106)

O People, save yourselves from the wrath of your Lord: the fact is that the earthquake of the resurrection is a terrible thing. The day you behold it, you will see that every suckling woman will forsake her suckling, and every pregnant female will cast her burden, and the people will appear to you to be intoxicated, though they will not be drunk, but the torment of Allah will be so dreadful.

There are some among the people, who indulge in discussions about Allah without any knowledge and follow every rebellious Satan, concerning whom it has been decreed that he will mislead whoever takes him as a friend and will show him the way to the torment of Hell. O People, if you have any doubt about life after death, you should know that We first created you of clay, then of a sperm drop, then of a clout of blood, then of a lump of flesh, shaped or shapeless, so that We make the reality plain to you. And We make those which We will, remain in the wombs for a fixed period, then We bring you forth as a child: then (We nourish you) so that you may attain to your full youth. And there may be among you one who is returned to the most abject age so that he should know nothing even after knowing all he could. And you see the land lying dry and barren, but as soon as We send down rainwater upon it, it stirs, and smells and brings forth every kind of luxuriant vegetation. This is so because Allah is the Truth. He brings the dead to life and He has power over everything and the Hour of Resurrection is sure to come and there is absolutely no doubt about it, and most surely He will raise up those who are lying in the graves.

(AL-HAJJ 1-7)

And there is a type of man who serves Allah standing on the borders; if some good comes to him, he is satisfied, but if he encounters a trial, he turns his back. Thus he loses both this world and hereafter: this is the manifest loss. Then, instead of Allah, he invokes those who can do him neither harm nor good: this is the last extremity of deviation. He invokes those who are more likely to do him harm than good. What an evil guardian he chooses and what an evil companion! As for those who believed and did righteous deeds, Allah will admit them to gardens underneath which canals will be flowing. Allah does whatever He wills. As for the one who presumes that Allah will neither ascend the sky by a rope and cut a hole into it and then peep through it and see for himself whether any device of his can avert his doom, which he abhors. And We have sent down this Qur'an with clear teachings such as these, but Allah alone guides whomever He wills.

(AL-HAJJ 11-16)

There are the two parties who have disputed about their Lord. As regards those who have disbelieved, garments of fire have already been cut out for them; over their heads shall be poured boiling water, which will melt not only their skins but also the inner parts of their bellies and there shall be maces of iron to lash them. Whenever in their anguish, they will try to come out of Hell, they shall be driven back into it. Taste now the torment of burning. As regards those, who believed and did righteous works, Allah will admit them into gardens underneath which canals will be flowing, there they will be decorated with golden bracelets and pearls and their garments will be of

silk, they were guided to accept the pure word, and shown the way of All-Praiseworthy.

(AL-HAJJ 19-24)

O Mankind! A parable is related to you: so listen to it. The deities, whom you invoke instead of Allah, cannot create a fly even though they may all combine together for this purpose. Nay! If a fly snatches away something from them, they cannot get it back from it. How weak are the suppliants and how weak those whom they supplicate. They have not recognized the true worth of Allah as they should have: the fact is that Allah alone is Al-Mighty, All-Powerful.

(AL-HAJJ 73-74)

O People, who have believed, bow down and prostrate yourselves, worship your Lord and do righteous deeds: it may be that you attain true success. Exert your utmost for the cause of Allah as one should. He has chosen you for His service and has not laid on you any hardship in your religion. Therefore, be steadfast in the religion of your father Abraham. Allah has called you "Muslims" before this and has called you in this (Qur'an) also so that the Messenger may be a witness in regard to the rest of mankind. Therefore, establish the SALAT and pay the Zakat and hold fast to Allah, for He is your Guardian: what an excellent Guardian and what an excellent Helper!

(AL-HAJJ 77-78)

Most certainly those believers have attained true success who perform their SALAT with humility: who refrain

from vain things; who spend their Zakat due in appropriate ways: who guard their private parts scrupulously, except with regard to their wives and those women who are legally in their possession, for in that case they shall not be blame-worthy, but those who go beyond this shall be transgressors.

Who are true to their trusts and their promises: and who strictly guard their prayers. These are the heirs who will inherit paradise and will dwell therein for ever.

We created man from an essence of clay: then turned him into a sperm-drop in a safe place: then changed the sperm-drop into a clout of blood and the clout into a piece of flesh: then turned the piece of flesh into bones: then clothed the bones with flesh: and then brought him forth as quite a different creation. So blessed is Allah, the best of all creators. Then after this you shall all die: then most surely you shall be raised up on the day of Resurrection.

(AL-MU'MINUN 1-16)

It is Allah who has endowed you with the faculties of hearing and seeing and given you hearts to think, but you do not show any gratitude. It is He who has scattered you in the earth, and before Him you shall be mustered. It is He who gives life and ordains death and controls the alternation of the night and the day. Do you not understand this?

(AL-MU'MINUN 78-80)

Exalted is Allah, the true and real sovereign, there is no god but He: He is the Master of the Glorious Throne. Therefore, if someone invokes any other deity along with Allah, where of he has proof, he shall have to give an account to his Lord. Such disbelievers cannot attain "success: O Muhammad, say! Lord forgives and has mercy! You are the most merciful of all who show mercy.

(AL-MU'MINUN 116-118)

The woman and the man guilty of fornication, flog each one of them with a hundred stripes, and let not any pity for them restrain you in regard to matter prescribed by Allah, if you believe in Allah and the Last Day, and let a section of the believers witness the punishment inflicted on them.

A man guilty of adultery (fornication) shall not marry any but the woman guilty of the same or a "mushrik" woman, and none shall marry a woman guilty of adultery but the man guilty of the same or a "mushrik" man: such marriages are forbidden to true believers.

As for those persons who charge chaste woman with false accusations, but do not produce four witnesses, flog them with eighty stripes and never accept their evidence afterwards, for they themselves are transgressors, except for those who repent and reform themselves; for Allah is Forgiving and Merciful.

(AN-NUR 2-5)

O Believers, do not enter other houses than your own until you have the approval of the inmate and have wished them peace, this is the best way for you: it is

expected that you will observe it, then if you do not find anyone therein, do not enter until you have been given permission, and if you are told to go back, you should go back. This is a purer way for you, and Allah has full knowledge of whatever you do. There is, however, no harm if you enter houses which are not dwelling places, but contain something useful for you; Allah knows whatever you disclose and whatever you conceal.

(AN-NUR 27-29)

Arrange marriages between the single men and women among you and between your slave men and slave women, who are righteous; if they be indigent. Allah will provide means for them out of His bounty: Allah has boundless resources and He is All-Knowing, and those, who cannot find a match, should observe continence till Allah provides them means out of His bounty.

(AN-NUR 32-33)

Do you not observe that all those who are in the heavens and the earth, and the birds with outspread wings, glorify Allah? Each one knows the mode of its prayer and glorification, and Allah has full knowledge of whatever they do. The kingdom of the heavens and the earth belongs to Allah alone, and to Him shall all return.

Do you not observe that Allah makes the cloud gently: then joins its pieces together then gathers it into a mass thick cloud: then you see that rain-drops fall down from its midst and He sends down hail out of the high up mountains in the heaven: then He smites with it whom He

wills and turns it away from whom He pleases: then a flash of lighting from it dazzles the eyes. He alternates the day and the night; there is indeed a lesson in it for those who have observing eyes.

And Allah created every creature from a sort of water: of them someone crawls upon its belly: another walks on two legs and still another on four; Allah creates whatever He wills for He has power over everything.

(AN-NUR 41-45)

O Believers, your slave and those of your children, who have not yet become sex conscious, must ask your permission before coming in to see you on three occasions: before the Fajr prayer and at noon when you put off your clothes and after the "Isha prayer". These are your three times of privacy. There is no sin for you nor for them if they come without permission at other times than these, for you have to visit one another over and over again. In this way Allah makes His commandments clear to you for He is All-Knowing, All-Wise. And when your children have grown sex conscious, they should get your permission for this just as their elders got permission. Thus Allah makes His Revelation plain to you for He is All-Knowing, All-Wise.

(AN-NUR 58-59)

Have you ever considered the case of the person who has made his lust his god? Can you take the responsibility of guiding such a one aright? Do you think that most of them hear or understand? They are only like the cattle; nay, even worse than that.

(AL-FURQAN 43-44)

It is Allah who has ordained the night as a garment for you, and the sleep as repose of death and the day as the time of return to life.

And it is He, who drives the winds to be the harbingers of His mercy: then He sends down pure water from the sky so that He may revive the dead land and quench the thirst of many of His creatures from among beasts and men. We present the same phenomenon over and over again before them so that they may learn a lesson from it; but most people decline to adopt any other attitude than of disbelief and ingratitude.

(AL-FURQAN 47-50)

And it is He, who has let loose the two seas one palatable and sweet, the other bitter and saltish, and there is a partition between them, which is an insurmountable barrier.

And it is He, Who created man from water: then from Him He caused two kinds of kindred, by blood and by marriage: your Lord is All-Powerful.

(AL-FURQAN 53-54)

The servants of the Merciful are those who walk humbly on the earth: who, when the ignorant people behave insolently towards them, say, peace to you: who pass their nights in prostrating themselves and standing before their Lord: who pray, "Our Lord Save us from the torment of Hell, for its torment is killing: it is an evil resting place": who, when they spend, are neither

extravagant nor miserly but keep the golden mean between the two extremes: who do not invoke any god but Allah nor kill a soul, which Allah has forbidden, unjustly, nor commit adultery. He who does this shall be punished for his sin, and his torment shall be double on the Day of Resurrection, one who may have repented and have believed and done righteous works, for them Allah will change his evil deeds into goods deeds, and He is very Forgiving and Merciful. In fact, the one who repents and does righteous deeds, returns to Allah as one rightly should. (And the servants of the Merciful are those:) who do not bear witness to falsehood and who if they have even to pass by what is vain, pass by like dignified people: who do not behave like the blind and the deaf, when the Revelations of their Lord are recited to them for admonition: who pray, "Our Lord, bless us with wives and children, who may be the comfort of our eyes, and make us the leaders of the righteous" such are the people who will be rewarded with high places for their fortitude. Whenever they will be welcomed with due respect, honor and salutation and wherein they will live for ever: what an excellent abode and what an excellent resting place.

O Muhammad, tell the people "My Lord does not care at all if you do not invoke Him. Now that you have denied, you will soon be awarded such a punishment which you will never be able to avoid,

(AL-FURQAN 63-77)

We have never destroyed a habitation unless it had its warners to administer admonition and we have never been unjust.

(ASH – SHU, ARAA 208-209)

Ya Sin, these are the verses of the Qur'an and the lucid Book, a guidance and good news for those believers who establish the SALAT and pay the "Zakat"; and they are the ones who fully believe in the Hereafter. The fact is that we have made the misdeeds of those who deny the Hereafter seem fair to them; therefore, they stray about blindly. They are the ones for whom there is an evil chastisement, and in the Hereafter they shall be the worst losers. And O Muhammad you are most surely receiving this Qur'an from the one, who is All-wise, All-Knowing.

(AL- NAML 1-6)

And who is it who made the earth as a place of rest and caused in it rivers to flow, and set in it firm mountains and placed barriers between the two bodies of water? Is there besides Allah another god? Nay, but most of these people have no knowledge.

Who is it Who listens to the oppressed one when he invokes Him and who relieves him of affliction? And (Who is it Who) makes you vicegerents in the earth. Is there besides Allah another god? How little you reflect!

And Who is it Who shows you the ways in the darkness of the land and the sea, and Who sends the winds as harbingers of His Mercy. Is there besides Allah another god? Far exalted is Allah above what they associate with Him.

And Who is it Who originates the creation and then reproduces it? And Who provides you sustenance from the sky and the earth? Is there besides Allah another god?

Say, "Bring your proof if you are truthful".

(AN-NAML 61-64)

The fact is that this Qur'an tells the children of Israel the reality of most things in which they differ, and this is guidance and a Mercy for the believers. Your Lord will surely judge between those peoples as well as by His command, and He is the All-Mighty, All-Knowing. Therefore O Prophet, put your trust in Allah: you are certainly on the manifest truth. You cannot make the dead to hear you, nor can convey your call to the deaf, who have turned their backs and are running away from you, nor can guide the blind against their errors. You can only make those people listen to you, who believe in Our Revelations and then submit completely.

(AN-NAML 76-81)

And on the day when the trumpet will be blown, all those who are in the heavens and the earth, shall be struck with terror present themselves before Him in submission. Today, you see the mountains and think that they are firmly set, but on that day will be flying about like the clouds; this will be a manifestation of the powers of Allah, who has ordered everything with wisdom. He is fully aware of what you do. He, who brings good deeds, will have a reward better than that, and such people shall be secure from the terror of that day. And the one who come, with evil deeds, all such people shall be flung upon their faces into the fire. Can you be rewarded except in accordance with you deed?

O Muhammad say to them "what I have been commanded is that I should worship the Lord of this city, who has made it sacred, and who is the owner of everything. I have been commanded to live as a Muslim and to recite the Qur'an". Now whosoever follows the guidance, will follow it for his own good and to him who goes astray, say, "I am only a Warner". Say to them, "praise is only for Allah; very soon He will show you His signs, which you shall recognize; and your Lord is not unaware of what you do".

(AN-NAML 87-93)

And how many habitations have we destroyed whose people exulted in their means of subsistence! Just see those dwellings of their, only a few of which have been inhabited after them. At last, we alone became the heirs.

And your Lord would never destroy habitations until He had sent in their central place a Messenger, who recited to them our Revelations; and we would not destroy habitations until their dwellers had become wicked. Whatever you have been given, is merely a provision for this worldly life and its adornment; and that which is with Allah is better and more lasting. Do you not use common sense? Can the person to whom we have made a good promise, which he would certainly meet, be ever like the one, whom we have only given the provisions of the worldly life, and who on the day of Resurrection, would be presented for punishment?

(ALQASAS 58-61)

Your Lord creates whatever He wills and chooses. To choose is not for them. Allah is pure and exalted far above the "Shirk" that these people commit. Your Lord knows what they hide in their hearts and what they reveal. He is Allah, the One: none but He is worthy of worship: to Him is all praise due, both in this world and in the Hereafter: Sovereignty is His, and to Him shall all of you be returned. O Prophet, say to them, "have you ever considered that if Allah should make the night perpetual for you, till the day of Resurrection, which deity, beside Allah, would bring you light? Do not you hear anything"? Ask them "have you ever considered that if Allah should make the day perpetual for you, till the day of Resurrection, which deity, besides Allah, would bring the night so that you may have rest in it? Do not you see anything"? It is His Mercy that He had made the night and the day for you may have rest and seek your Lord's bounty; may be that you are grateful.

(AL-QASAS 68-73)

That the abode of the Hereafter we shall reserve for those who do not seek glory in the earth, nor wish to make mischief, and the ultimate good is only for the God fearing. Whoever brings a good deed shall have a better reward than that, and whoever brings an evil deed, the evil doers will have their rewards according to their deeds.

(AL-QASAS 83-84)

Do the people think that they will be left alone after they have once said, "We have believed", and they will not be

tested? The fact is that we have put to the test all those who have gone before them. Surely, Allah has to see who are the truthful and who the liars. And do those who are committing evil deeds reckon that they will outstrip us? Evil is their judgment.

Whoever expects to meet Allah (should know) that Allah's appointed time is about to come, and Allah hears everything. Whoever will exert will exert for his own good: Allah is certainly independent of all His creations. As for those who believe and do good works, we shall wipe off their evils and reward them for the best of their deeds.

(AL-ANKABUT 1-7)

Have those people never seen how Allah originates the creation, and then repeats it? Surely this is easier for Allah. Say to them "Go about on the earth and see how He has begun the creation; then Allah will recreate life: surely Allah has power over everything. He may punish whom He wills and show Mercy to whom He wills; to whom you shall be turned back. You can neither make (Him) helpless in the earth nor in the heaven, and you have no patron and helper to save you from Allah. Those who have denied Allah's Revelations and their meeting with Him have despaired of My Mercy, and they will have a painful punishment.

(AL-ANKABUT 19-23)

The likeness of those who have taken other patrons than Allah, is the likeness of a spider, which makes itself a dwelling; and the weakest of all dwellings is the dwelling of a spider. Would that these people had knowledge! Allah surely knows whomever they invoke instead of

Him. He is the Almighty, All-wise. These parables we cite for the instruction of the people, but only those people understand them, who have knowledge. Allah has created the heavens and the earth with truth. Indeed there is a sign in this for the believers.

(O Prophet) recite this Book which has been revealed to you, and establish the SALAT. Surely the Salat restrains from indecent and evil acts, and the remembrance of Allah is a thing even greater than this; Allah knows whatever you do.

(AL-ANKABUT 41-45)

O My servants, who have believed, My earth is vast, so worship Me alone. Every living being has to taste death; ultimately you shall all be returned to Us. Those who have believed and done good works, We shall lodge them in the high places in paradise beneath which canals will be flowing: therein they shall live for ever. What an excellent reward for the doers (of good) for those who have shown patience and put full trust in their Lord. How many creatures are there that do not carry their provisions with them. Allah provides for them and for you too. He hears everything and knows everything.

(AL-ANKABUT 56-60)

The people only know the outward aspects of worldly life and of the Hereafter they are heedless. Have they never reflected in their own selves? Allah has created the earth and the heaven and all that lies between them, with the truth, and only for an appointed term, but most people disbelieve in the meeting with their Lord. And have they

never travelled on earth that they could see the end of those who have gone before them? They were mightier than these in strength; they tilled the land and built more on it than these people have. Their messengers came to them with clear signs; then it was not Allah who was unjust to themselves. At last, evil was the end of those who had committed evil because they had denied the Revelations of Allah and scoffed at them.

(AR-RUM 7-10)

Glorify Allah in the evening and in the morning; praise is due to Him alone in the heavens and the earth; and (glorify Him) in the afternoon and at the declining of the day. He brings out the living from the dead and the dead from the living, and gives life to the earth after its death. Likewise, you too, shall be taken out (of the state of death).

Of His signs is - that He has created you from dust, then behold, you are men who are multiplying.

And of His signs is - that He has created for you wives from your own species that you may find peace with them, and created love and mercy between you. Surely in this there are many signs for those who reflect.

And of His signs are the creation of the heavens and the earth and the difference of your tongues and colours. Surely in this there are many signs for the learned.

And of His signs is your sleep by night and by day and your seeking of His bounty. Surely in this there are many signs for those who pay heed.

And of His signs is – that He shows you the lightning, for fear as well as for hope, and He sends down rainwater from the sky and thereby gives life to the earth after its death. Surely in this there are many signs for those who use their common sense.

And of His signs is – that the heaven and the earth stand firm by His command; then as soon as He summons you out of the earth, you shall come out at one call. Whoever exists in the heavens and the earth, and His servants; all are obedient to Him. He it is who originates the creation; then He alone will repeat it, and this is easier for Him. His are the most exalted attributes in the heavens and the earth, and He is the Almighty, the All-Wise.

(AR-RUM 17-27)

When We make the people taste mercy, they exult at it; and when an affliction befalls them on account of their own misdeeds, they grow despondent. Do they not see that it is Allah who gives abundantly to whom He wills and sparingly (to whom He wills)? Surely in this there are many signs for those who believe. Therefore, (O Believers) give to your relative his due, and to the needy and the wayfarer (his due). This is the best way for those who seek Allah's goodwill: such alone will attain true success. The interest that you give in order to increase the wealth of the people, does not increase in the sights of Allah; and the Zakat that you pay in order to win Allah's approval, its payers do indeed increase their wealth.

(AR-RUM 36-39)

We have set forth in the Qur'an every sort of argument to make the people understand, but whatever sign you may bring, the disbelievers will certainly say, "you are following falsehood". Thus Allah seals the hearts of those who lack knowledge. So (O Prophet) have patience: surely Allah's promise is true; and let not those who lack faith find you light.

(AR-RUM 58-60)

He created the heavens without pillars that you could see. He set mountains in the earth lest it should tilt away along with you; he scattered all kinds of animals in the earth, and sent down rainwater from the sky and caused a variety of bounteous vegetation to grow in it. This is Allah's creation: now, show Me what have these others created? The fact is that these wicked people are involved in manifest error. We had bestowed wisdom on Luqman that he may be grateful to Allah. Whoever is grateful, his gratefulness is for his own good, and whoever is ungrateful, then Allah is indeed self-sufficient and self-praiseworthy.

(LUQMAN 10-12)

If all the trees in the earth were to become pens and the ocean which is replenished with ink by seven more oceans, Allah's words would not exhaust. Allah is indeed Almighty and All-Wise. Your creation and your resurrection are as simple for Him as of a single soul. The fact is that Allah hears everything and sees everything.

(LUQMAN 26-28)

O People! Avoid the wrath of your Lord and fear the Day when no father shall avail anything for his son, nor shall any son avail anything for his father. Allah's promise is surely true. So let not this world's life deceive you, nor let the deceiver deceive you concerning Allah.

Allah alone has the knowledge of the Hour. He alone sends down the rain and He alone knows what is taking shape in the wombs of the mothers. No living being knows what he will earn the next day, nor does anybody know in what land he will die. Allah alone is All-Knowing, All-Aware.

(LUQMAN 33-34)

Allah it is who created the heavens and the earth and all that is between them in six days, and then sat himself on the throne. You have no supporter or helper besides Him or any intercessor before Him. Will you not then take heed? He administers the affairs of the world from the heavens to the earth, and the report of this administration ascends before Him in a day whose length, according to your reckoning, is a thousand years. He alone is the knower of the hidden and the open, the Almighty, the Compassionate, who gave everything He created the best form. He began the creation of man from clay; then spread his progeny by an extract of the nature of despicable water; then He shaped him and breathed into him of his spirit; and He gave you the ears, and the eyes and the hearts: yet you are seldom grateful.

(AS-SAJDAH 4-9)

Only such people believe in our Revelations, who, when these are recited to them for their admonition, fall down

prostrate and glorify their Lord with His praise, and not proud; who forsake their beds and invoke their Lord in fear and hope; and spend out of what we have given them. No living being knows what comfort of the eyes has been kept hidden from them as recompense for their deeds. Can he who is a believer be like him who is a sinner? They cannot be alike. For those who have believed and done good works, there will be gardens for their dwelling, an entertainment as a recompense for their deeds. As for those who have adopted evil, their abode shall be Hell. Whenever they try to get out of it, they will be pushed back into it, and it will be said to them "taste now, the torment of the fire which you used to deny".

(AS-SAJDAH 15-20)

Most surely, the men and the women who have surrendered themselves to Allah; who are believing, obedient, truthful and patient, who bow down before Allah, practice charity, observe the fasts, guard the private parts and remember Allah much. Allah has prepared for them forgiveness and a great reward.

It does not behove a believing man and a believing woman that when Allah and His Messenger have given their decision in a matter, they should exercise an option in that matter of theirs, and whoever disobeys Allah and His Prophet, has indeed strayed into manifest error.

(AL-AHZAB 35-40)

Muhammad is not the father of any of your men, but he is the Messenger of Allah and the last of the Prophet and Allah is the knower of everything.

(AL-AHZAB 40)

The disbelievers say to the people, Shall we point out to you a man who gives the news that when your body will have scattered in particles, you will be raised back to life once again. No one knows whether this man forges a lie in the name of Allah or is mad.

Nay, but those who do not believe in the Hereafter, will incur the punishment and only they are involved in gross error. Have they never seen the sky and the earth, which surrounds them from front and from behind, if we will, we can sink them underground, or cause some fragments of the sky to fall down upon them. There is indeed a sign in this for every such servant who turns to God.

(SABA 7-9)

It has never happened that we sent a Warner to a habitation and its people of means did not say, "We disbelieve the message you have brought". They always said: "We have more wealth and children than you, and we shall never be punished". O Prophet, say to them, "My Lord gives abundantly to whom He wills and sparingly to whom He wills, but most people do not realize this". It is not your wealth and your children which bring you nearer to Us, save him who believes and does good works. These are the ones who will have a double reward for their deeds and they will live in peace in high mansions. As for those who strive hard in order to frustrate our Revelations, they shall be involved in punishment.

(SABA 34-38)

O people, the promise of Allah is certainly true. Therefore, let not the worldly life deceive you, not let that great deceiver deceive you concerning Allah. Indeed, Satan is your enemy; therefore, you also should treat him as your enemy. He is inviting his followers towards his way so that they may join the dwellers of Hell. Those who disbelieve shall have a severe punishment, and those who believe and do good works shall have forgiveness and a rich reward.

(FATIR 5-7)

Whoever seeks honour should know that honour wholly belongs to Allah. Only pure word rises up to Him, and the righteous deed cause it to rise. As for those who plot evil, there is a severe torment for them, and their plotting shall itself perish.

(FATIR 10)

Allah created you from dust, then from the sperm drop, and then made you pairs. No woman conceives or is delivered but it is in the knowledge of Allah. No aging person grows old nor is anything reduced of his age except in accordance with a Book. This is an easy thing for Allah. And the two stores of water are not alike: one is sweet and thirst quenching, pleasant to drink, while the other is saltish and pungent: yet from both you get fresh flesh and bring out decorations to wear, and in the same water you see the ships which plough through it so that you may seek Allah's bounty and be grateful to Him. He causes the night to pass into the day and the day into the night and He has subjected the sun and the moon till an

appointed time. The same Allah is your Lord: sovereignty is His. Those whom you invoke instead of Him do not own even a blade of grass. If you call them they cannot hear your prayers, and if they hear, they cannot answer you; and on the day of Resurrection they will disown your "Shirk". None can inform you of the truth except the one who is All-Aware.

(FATIR 11-14)

O Prophet it is you who stand in need of Allah, Allah is self-sufficient and self-praiseworthy. If He wills He can remove you and bring a new creation in your place. This is not at all difficult for Allah. No bearer of a burden will bear another's burden, and if a laden soul cries out for help, none will come forward to share the least of its burden, even though it is the nearest relation. (O Prophet) you can only warn those who fear their Lord though they cannot see Him, and establish the SALAT. Whoever adopts purity does so for his own good, and to Allah shall all return. The blind and the seeing are not alike, nor are the darkness and light alike, nor are the cool shade and the heat of the sun, nor the living and the dead alike. Allah causes whomever He wills, to hear, but you cannot make those who are buried in the graves to hear you. You are only a Warner. Now if they treat you as a liar, those who lived before them also treated (their messengers) as liars. Their Messenger came to them with clear proofs and scriptures and the enlightening Book. Then I seized those who disbelieved, and behold, how terrible was my punishment.

(FATIR 15-26)

We shall certainly one day raise the dead to life. We are recording all the deeds they have done and also that which they have left behind. We have preserved everything in an open Book.

(YASIN 12)

The dead land is a sign for these people We gave it life and produced grain from it, which they eat. We made gardens of date palms and grapes in it and caused springs to gush out of it so that they may eat fruits thereof. It is not their hands which made all this. Do they not then give thanks? Glorified is He Who created in pairs all species, whether of vegetable kingdom or of their own kind, or of those things of which they know nothing.

Another sign for them is the night, we remove the day from above it, and they are covered in darkness. And the sun, it is moving to its place of rest. This is the decree of the Almighty, All-Knowing God. And the moon, we have determined stages for it till it becomes like an old dry palm branch. Neither it is possible for the sun to overtake the moon, nor for the night to outstrip the day. Each is gliding in its own orbit.

Yet another sign is that We bore their progeny in a laden vessel, and then made for them similar other vessels which they board. If We please We can drown them when they would have no one to hear their cry, nor would they be rescued in any way. It is our Mercy alone which sustains them and enables them to enjoy life till an appointed time.

(YASIN 33-34)

On that day (the day of Resurrection) We shall seal their mouths, their hands will speak to us, and their feet will testify as to what they had been earning in the world. If We will, We can put out their eyes, then let them strive to seek the way, wherefrom will they see it? If We please, We can so transform them in their places that they would neither be able to go forward nor turn backward. Whomever We grant a long life, We just reverse him in nature and constitution. Do they not understand anything?

We have not taught this (Prophet) poetry nor does poetry behove him. This is only an admonition and a lucid Book, so that he may warn every living person and the charge is established against the disbelievers.

(YASIN 65-70)

Does not man see that We have created him from a sperm drop, and yet he stands forth as a manifest adversary? Now he strikes out likenesses for Us and forgets his own creation. He says, "who will give life to these bones when they are rotten? Tell him, He who created them in the first instance will give them life again. He is skilled at every kind of creation. He is it Who created fire for you from the green tree, with which you kindle your fuel. Is not He who created the heavens and the earth able to create the like of them? (Why not when He is the skilful creation). When He intends anything, he needs only say: Be, and it is. Glorified is He in whose hand is the absolute control of everything, and to Him you shall all be returned.

(YASIN 77-83)

We have adorned the lower heaven with the adornment of the stars and have secured it against every rebel Satan. These Satans cannot hear the words of the Exalted ones; they are darted at and driven off from every side, and for them there is a perpetual torment. However, if someone snatches away something, a flashing flame follows him.

(AS-SAAFFAT 6-10)

We have not created the heavens and the earth and all that is between them, in vain. This is the fancy of those who have disbelieved, and woe to such disbelievers from the fire of Hell. Should We treat those who believe and do good works like those who spread mischief in the earth? Should We treat the pious as the sinners?

This is a highly blessed Book, which We have sent down to you, so that these people may ponder over its verses and the men of understanding may learn lessons from it.

(SUAD 27-29)

If you disbelieve, Allah is independent of you, yet He does not approve of disbelief for His servants; and if you are thankful, He approves it for you. No bearer will bear the burden of another; ultimately, all of you have to return to your Lord. Then He will tell you what you have been doing. He knows even the secrets of the hearts.

(AZ-ZUMAR 7)

Don't you see that Allah sent down rainwater from the sky, then made it to flow in the earth in the form of springs and fountains and rivers, then He brings forth

thereby a variety of crops of different kinds, then they ripen and wither and you see them turn yellow, and then, finally, He reduces them to straw? Indeed, there is a lesson in this for the men of understanding. Now, can the person whose breast Allah has opened and he is walking in the light shown by his Lord (be like the one who has learnt no lesson from these things)? Woe to those whose hearts became even more hardened from Allah's admonition! They are in manifest deviation.

(AZ-ZUMAR 21-22)

Allah has sent down the best of discourses, a Book all whose parts are uniform in style and whose themes have been repeated over and over again. Those who fear their Lord are filled with awe when they listen to it, and then their bodies and their hearts soften and turn to the remembrance of Allah. This is Allah's guidance, whereby He guides to the right way whomever He wills, and the one whom Allah does not guide has no guide whatever. Now, how can you imagine the plight of the one who will receive the severe punishment of the day of Resurrection on his face? To such wrongdoers it will be said. "Taste now what you had been earning". Many a people before them also denied likewise. Consequently, the scourge overtook them from whence they least expected. Then Allah made them to taste disgrace even in their worldly life, but the punishment of the Hereafter is far more terrible. Would that they knew it.

(AZ-ZUMAR 23-26)

It is Allah who takes the souls at death and the soul of the one, who has not yet died, during sleep. Then He

withholds that for which He decrees death and restores the souls of others till an appointed time. In this there are many signs for the people who reflect, What? Have they taken besides Allah others as intercessors? Say to them, will they intercede even if they have no power whatever nor understanding? Say, "Intercession is wholly in the power of Allah: His is the kingdom of the heavens and the earth. Then to Him you will be returned.

(AZ-ZUMAR 42-44)

Man is such that when a little affliction touches him, he calls upon Us, and when We bestow our favour on him, he says, "I have been given this because of my knowledge". Nay, it is a trial, but most of them do not know. The same was said also by those who went before them, but whatever they earned did not avail them anything. So, they met the evil consequences of their deeds and the wicked ones among those people, too, shall soon meet the evil consequences of their deeds. They cannot frustrate Us. And do they not know that Allah provides abundantly for whom He wills and sparingly for whom He wills? In this there are signs for those who believe.

(AZ-ZUMAR 49-52)

These people have not recognized the true worth of Allah as His worth should truly be recognized. The entire earth on the day of Resurrection shall be in His grasp and the heavens shall be rolled up in His right hand. Glorified is He and exalted above what they associate with Him. And the trumpet shall be blown on that day and all those who

are in the heavens and the earth shall fall down dead except those whom Allah may allow to live. Then the trumpet shall be blown again and they will all stand-up, looking around. The earth will shine forth with the light of her Lord and the conduct book will be laid open, and the Prophets and the witnesses shall be brought in, and the people shall be judged with full justice, and none shall be wronged. And every living being shall be recompensed fully for whatever it had done. Allah knows well what the people do.

(AZ-ZUMAR 67-70)

The Revelation of this Book is from Allah, the Al-Mighty, the All-Knowing, Forgiver of sin and acceptor of repentance. He is stern in punishment and is highly Bountiful. There is no deity besides Him. To Him shall all return?

(AL-MU'MIN 1-3)

Surely the creation of the heavens and the earth is a greater thing than the creation of man, but most people do not know. And the blind and the seeing cannot be equals, nor are the believing and righteous men equal to the wicked, but you people understand only a little. The hour of Resurrection is sure to come, there is no doubt about it, but most people do not believe.

Your Lord says: "call upon Me": I will answer your prayers. Those who disdain My worship on account of pride, shall certainly enter Hell, disgraced.

(AL-MU'MIN 57-60)

It is Allah who made the earth a resting place for you and the sky a canopy over it, who shaped you so well, and who provided you with pure things. The same Allah is your Lord. Highly blessed is Allah, Lord of the universe. He is the living one. There is no god but He. Call upon Him alone, making your religion sincerely His. All praise is due to Allah, Lord of the universe.

O Prophet, tell the people, "I have been forbidden to worship those whom you invoke instead of Allah. When clear signs have come to me from my Lord, I have been commanded to submit to the Lord of all creation.

He it is who created you from dust, then from a sperm, then from a clout of blood, then He delivers you as an infant, then He makes you to grow up to attain full strength, then makes you to grow further to reach old age, though someone of you is recalled earlier. This is done so that you may reach an appointed time and may understand the reality. He it is who gives life and ordains death. Whatever He decrees, He only commands it to be and it is.

(AL-MU'MIN 64-68)

O Prophet, say to them, "I am only a man, like you. I am told by Revelation that your God is only one God. Therefore, turn straight to Him alone and ask for His forgiveness. Woe to the "Mushriks" who do not pay the Zakat and deny the Hereafter. As for those who have believed and done right, for them there is surely an unfailing reward.

O Prophet, say to them, "Do you deny that God, and set up others as equal with Him, who created the earth in two

days? He indeed is the Lord of all creation. He sets mountains over the earth and bestowed blessings on it, and provided in it means of sustenance adequately according to the needs and demand of all those who ask. This was done in four days. Then He turned to the heaven, which was only a smoke at that time. He said to the heaven and the earth: come into being, whether you like it or not". They both said, "We do come in submission". Then in two days He made the seven heavens, and in each heaven He ordained its law, and We adorned the lower heaven with lights and made it fully secure. Such is the design of the one, Who is the Al-Mighty, the All-Knowing.

(HA MIM AS-SAJDAH 6-12)

And who could be better of speech than the one who called to Allah and did right and said, "I am a Muslim".

And O Prophet, goodness and evil are not equal. Repel evil with what is best. You will see that he, with whom you had enmity, has become your closest friend. But none can attain to this quality except those who are men of great good fortune. And if you feel an incitement from Satan, seek refuge in Allah; He is the Al-Hearing, the All-Knowing.

(HA MIM AS- SAJDAH 33-36)

Whoever does good will do so for his own self and whoever does evil will himself bear its consequences: your Lord is never unjust to His servants.

(HA MIM AS-SAJDAH 46)

When we bless man, he turns away and grows stiff-necked; but when an evil touches him, he comes with lengthy supplications.

(HA MIM AS-SAJDAH 51)

Allah is very kind to His servants: He gives whatever He pleases to whom He wills: He is the Al-strong, the Al-Mighty. Whoever seeks the harvest of the Hereafter, We do increase his harvest; and whoever seeks the harvest of this world, We do give him of it here, but in the Hereafter he will have no share whatever.

(ASH-SHURA 19-20)

Whatever you have been given is merely a provision for the transitory life of this world, and that which is with Allah is better as well as more lasting. That is for those who have believed and put their trust in their Lord; who refrain from gross sins and indecencies, who when they are angry, forgive, who obey their Lord, establish the SALAT, and conduct their affairs by mutual consultation; who spend out of what we have given them as sustenance; who, when they are oppressed, help and defend themselves. The recompense of evil is a like evil; then whoever pardons and seeks reconciliation, his reward is with Allah. Allah does not like the wrongdoers. And those who avenge themselves after they have been wronged, cannot be held blameworthy, for blameworthy indeed are those who oppress others and commit excesses in the land without any right. For such people there is a painful torment. However, the one who practices patience and is forgiving, these indeed are works of great courage and resolution.

(ASH-SHURA 36-43)

Answer your Lord before there comes the Day of which there is no chance of being averted by Allah. On that Day you will have no place of refuge, nor there any who could change your condition. Now if they turn away, we have not sent you, O Prophet, to be a keeper over them: your only responsibility is to convey the message.

Man is such that when we let him taste our mercy, he exults at it, and if an evil befalls him in consequence of what his own hands have done before, he turns utterly ungrateful.

To Allah belongs the kingdom of the heavens and the earth. He creates whatever He wills. He gives daughters to whom He wills, and sons to whom He wills; or, He gives both sons and daughters to whom He wills and makes barren that He wills. Indeed he knows everything and has power over everything.

(ASH-SHURA 47-50)

He who does not heed the admonition of the Merciful, We set a Satan upon him, and he becomes his companion. These Satans hinder such people from the right way while they think that they are guided aright. Ultimately, when he comes to Us, he will say to his Satan companion, "would that between me and you there were the distance of the East and the West. Then it will be said to them" when you have done wrong, it will avail you nothing today as you and your Satans are partners in the same torment.

Now, O Prophet, will you make the deaf to hear you, or show the way to the blind and those who are involved in manifest deviation? Now We have to punish them, whether We take you away from the world, or let you see their end, which We have promised them. We have full power over them. So, hold fast to the Book that has been revealed to you. You are surely on the straight way. The fact is that this Book is a great honour for you and your people, and soon you shall be called to account for it. You may ask all other Messengers whom We sent before you if We ever had appointed any other gods to be worshipped besides the Merciful God.

(AZ-ZUKHRUF 36-45)

The fact is that there are countless signs in the heavens and the earth for those who believe. And in your own creation and in the animals, whom Allah is scattering (all over the earth), there are signs for those who affirm faith. And in the difference of the night and day, and in the provisions that Allah sends down from the heaven, whereby He revives the earth after its death, and in the circulation of the winds, there are many signs for those who use their common sense. These are the Revelations of Allah, which We are rehearsing to you accurately. Then what is there after Allah and His Revelations in which they will believe?

(AL-JATHIYAH 3-6)

This Qur'an is true guidance, and for those who have refused to believe in the Revelations of their Lord there is the torment of a terrible scourge.

Allah it is who subjected to you the ocean so that ships may sail in it by His command, and you may seek His bounty and be grateful to Him. He subjected to you everything that the heavens and the earth contain, all from Him. There are many signs in this for those who think.

(AL-JATHIYAH 11-13)

Praise is for Allah alone, who is the Lord of the heavens and the earth and the Lord of all the worlds. To Him belongs greatness in the heavens and the earth, and He alone is the Al-mighty, the All- Wise.

(AL-JATHIYAH 36-37)

Those who disbelieved and debarred (other) from Allah's way, Allah rendered their works fruitless. As for those who believed, and did good works, and accepted that which has been sent down to Muhammad- and it is the very truth from their Lord Allah removed their evils from them and set their condition right. This is because the disbelievers followed falsehood and the believers followed the truth which has come from their Lord. Thus does Allah make the people aware of their state.

(MUHAMMAD 1-3)

O you who have believed, if you help Allah, Allah will help you and make your footsteps firm. As for those who have disbelieved, for them is destruction and Allah has rendered their deeds astray, because they have disapproved of what Allah has sent down; therefore,

Allah rendered their deeds fruitless. Have they not travelled in the earth that they could see the end of those who had gone before them?

Allah destroyed them utterly and the disbelievers are destined for a similar end. This is because Allah is the protector and helper of the believers and the disbelievers have no protector and helper at all. Allah shall admit those who have believed and done good works into gardens underneath which canals flow. As for the disbelievers, they are only enjoying the temporary life of this world, and eating as the animals eat, and their final abode is Hell.

(MUHAMMAD 7-12)

Whoever does not believe in Allah and His Messenger, for such disbelievers we have prepared a blazing fire. To Allah belongs the kingdom of the heavens and the earth. He may pardon whomever He wills and punish whomever he wills, and He is All-Forgiving, All-Merciful.

(AL-FATH 13-14)

O you, who have believed, if a wicked person brings you same news, inquire into it carefully lest you should harm others unwittingly and then be sorry for what you have done. Know it well that the Messenger of Allah is among you. If he were to obey you in most affairs, you would certainly be in trouble. But Allah has endeared the faith to you and made it seem fair in your hearts and made disbelief, wrong doing and disobedience abhorrent to

you. Such are those who are rightly guided through Allah's grace and Allah is All-knowing, All-wise.

(AL-HUJURAT 6-8)

And if two parties of the believers fall to mutual fighting, make peace between them. Then if either of them transgresses against the other, fight the one that has transgressed till it returns to Allah's command. Then if it returns, make peace between them with justice, and be just because Allah loves those who do justice. The believers are brothers of one another; so set the relations right between your brothers and fear Allah; it is expected that you will be shown mercy.

(AL-HUJURAT 9-10)

O you who have believed, neither men should mock other men, it may be that these are better than they, nor should women mock other women, it may be that these are better than they. Do not taunt one another among yourself nor call one another by nicknames. It is an evil thing to be called by a bad name after faith. Those who do not avoid this are wrongdoers.

(AL-HUJURAT 11)

O you, who have believed, avoid much suspicion, for some suspicions are sins. Do not spy, nor should any of you backbite the others. Is there any among you who would like to eat the flesh of his dead brother? Nay, you yourselves abhor it. Fear Allah, for Allah is acceptor of repentance and All-Merciful.

(AL-HUJURAT 12)

O mankind, We created you from one man and one woman, and then divided you into nations and tribes so that you may recognize one another. Indeed the most honourable among you in the sight of Allah is he who is the most pious of you. Surely, Allah is All-knowing, All-wise.

(AL-HUJURAT 13)

We have created man and know every evil suggestion that arises in his heart. We are even closer to him than his neck-vein. Two scribes, sitting on his right and on his left, are recording every thing. He utters not a word but there is an ever ready observer to note it down. Then behold, the agony of death has come with the truth. This is the same thing that you were trying to escape. And then the trumpet was blown. This is the day of which you were threatened. Every person has come in a state that there is a driver with him and a witness. You were heedless of this. We have removed your curtain from you, so your sight is very sharp today. His companion submitted, "Here is the one who was given in my charge". It was commanded, "Cast into Hell every stubborn disbeliever, who was hostile to the Truth, who was a forbiddener of the good, a transgressor, and doubter and who had set up another god with Allah. Cast him into severe torment". His companion submitted, Our Lord, I did not cause him to rebel, but he himself had gone far into deviation: In reply it was said, "Do not dispute in my presence: I had already warned you of the evil end. My sentence cannot be changed nor am I unjust to My servants".

The Day when We shall ask Hell, "Are you full"? It will say, is there any more"? And paradise shall be brought close to the righteous, no longer distant. It will be said, "This is that which was promised to you, to every such person who turned (to God) again and again, who was watchful, who feared the Merciful, Unseen, and who has come with a devoted heart. Enter Paradise in peace". That day will be the Day of eternal life. There they shall have all that they will desire, and We have with us yet more for them.

(QAF 16-35)

We have destroyed many nations before them, who were much stronger than they in power, and they ransacked all the lands: then, could they find a place of refuge? Indeed, in this there is a lesson for every such person who has a heart, or who gives ear and listens with attention.

(QAF 36-37)

We have built the heaven with our own might and We possess the power for it. We have spread out the earth and how excellent spreaders We are! And We have created everything in pairs; may be that you learn a lesson from it.

(ADH-DHARRIYAT 47-48)

Who avoids grave sins and open indecencies save the minor offence. Surely your Lord is liberal in forgiveness. He knows you well from the time He produced you from the earth and when you were yet embryos in your

mother's bellies: Therefore do not claim piety for yourself: He alone knows best who is really pious and God fearing.

(AN-NAJM 31-32)

We have made this Qur'an an easy means of admonition. Then is there any who would take admonition.

(AL-QAMAR 17)

We have created everything with a destiny, and Our command is but one command, which takes effect in the twinkling of an eye. We have destroyed many like you. Then is there any who would take admonition? Whatever they have done is recorded in registers and everything, small or great, is written therein.

(AL-QAMAR 49-53)

Those who have avoided disobedience shall be among gardens and canals, in a place of true honour, in the presence of a most powerful king.

(AL-QAMAR 54-55)

The most Merciful has taught this Qur'an. He it is who created man and taught him speech.

The sun and the moon adhere to a schedule, and the stars and the trees, all bow down in worship. He raised the heaven high and set the balance. Therefore do not upset the balance: weigh with equity and do not give short weight.

He has set the earth for all creatures, with all kinds of tasty fruits, in abundance and palm-tree, with sheathed fruit, and a variety of corns with husk as well as grain. So, O Jinn and men, which of your Lord's blessings will you deny.

He created man from dry, rotten clay like the potter's, and the jinn from the flame of fire. So, O jinn and men, which wonders of your Lord's power, will you deny.

Both the Easts and both the Wests: He is the Lord of all. So, O jinn and men, which of your Lord's powers will you deny.

He let loose the two seas that they may meet together. Yet there stands between them a barrier, which they do not transgress. So, O jinn and men, which manifestations of your Lord's power will you deny? From these seas

come out pearls and corals. So, O jinn and men, which excellences of your Lord's power will you deny?

And His are the ships raised up high like mountains in the sea. So, O jinn and men, which of your Lord's bounties will you deny?

All that exists on the earth shall perish. Only your Lord, possessed of majesty and honor, shall endure for ever. So, O jinn and men, which of your Lord's excellences will you deny? Whosoever is there in the earth and the heavens, implores Him for its needs. Every moment He is in a new glory, So, O Jinn and men, which of your Lord's glories will you deny?

O you burdens of the earth, We shall soon be getting free to call you to account. Which of your Lord's favours will you deny. O company of Jinn and men! If you have the power to escape across the bounds of the earth and heavens, then escape! You shall not escape, for it requires a great power. So, O Jinn and men, which of your Lord's powers will you deny? A flame of fire and smoke shall be let loose upon you, which you will not be able to withstand. O Jinn and men, which of your Lord's powers will you deny?

(AR-RAHMAN 1-36)

When the inevitable event happens, there shall be none to belie its happening. It will be a calamity which will abase and exalt. The earth shall be shaken all of a sudden, and the mountains shall crumble and become as scattered dust. You, then, shall be divided into three classes:

People of the right hand: Oh how shall be the people of the right hand! And the people of the left hand: Oh how shall be the people of the left hand! And the foremost shall still be the foremost. They will be those nearest (to God). They shall abide in the Gardens of bliss. Most of them will be from among the former people and a few from among those of latter day.

(AL-WAQI'AH 1-13)

We have created you; then why do not you confirm? Have you ever considered the sperm-drop that emit? Is it you who create the child from it, or are We the creators? We have distributed death among you, and We are not helpless from this that We may change your forms and create you in another form that you do not know. You already know well your first creation. Why don't you then take heed?

Have you ever considered the seeds that you sow? Is it you who cause them to grow into crops, or do We? If We were so pleased We could turn these crops into chaff, and you would then be left lamenting, "We have incurred penalties! Ah We are undone!"

Have you seen with open eyes the water that you drink? Is it you who cause it to rain from the clouds, or do We? If We were pleased We could make it bitter. Then why don't you become grateful.

Have you ever considered the fire you kindle? Is it you who have created its trees. Or are We its creator? We

have made it a means of remembrance and a provision of life for the needy.

So, O Prophet glorify the name of your Lord, the Supreme.

But nay! I swear by the positions of the stars-and it is a great oath, only if you knew it that this is a glorious Qur'an, inscribed in a well-guarded Book, which none can touch but the purified. This has been sent down by the Lord of the worlds. Then, do you regard this discourse as unworthy of serious attention and do you have in this blessing only this share that you deny it?

(AL-WAQI'AH 57-82)

If you think you are subject to nobody, and you deem you are right in thinking so, then why don't you restore to the dying person his soul when it has come up to the throat and you are helplessly watching that he is at the point of death? At that time We are closer to him than you, but you do not see Us. Then, if the dying person be of those nearest to Us, for him there is comfort and good provision and the blissful Garden. And if he be of the people of the right hand, he is greeted with "Peace be to you: you are of the people of the right"! And if he be of the deniers, gone astray, his entertainment is of boiling water and burning in Hell.

All this is absolute truth. So, O Prophet glorify the name of your Lord, the Supreme.

(AL-WAQI'AH 83-96)

Believe in Allah and His Messengers, and spend out of what he has made you successor to. For those of you who will believe and expend of their wealth, there is a great reward. What is the matter with you that you do not believe in Allah, whereas the Messenger is inviting you to believe in your Lord and has taken a compact from you, if you are true believers? Allah it is who is sending down clear Revelations to His servants, that he may bring you out of the darkness into the light. And the fact is that Allah is most kind and most Merciful to you. What is the matter with you that you do not spend in the way of Allah, whereas Allah's is the inheritance of the heavens and the earth? Those of you who will spend and fight after the victory can never be equal to those who have spent and fought before the victory. They are higher in ranks than those who spent and fought afterwards, though Allah has made good promises to both. Allah is well aware of whatever you do.

(AL-HADID 7-10)

Surely those among men and women who practice charity and who have lent to Allah a good loan shall be repaid manifold, and for them there is a generous reward. And those who have believed in Allah and His Messenger are indeed the most truthful and the true witnesses in the sight of their Lord. For them is then reward and their light. As for those who have disbelieved and denied Our Revelations, they are the dwellers of Hell.

(AL-HADID 18-19)

Know it well that the life of this world is nothing but a sport and a pastime, and a show and a thing of boasting among yourselves and a rivalry in wealth and children. Its example is of vegetation after a shower of rain, which delighted the tillers, then the same ripens and you see it turn yellow, then it becomes straw. Contrary to this, in the life to come there is severe torment and forgiveness from Allah and His good pleasure. The life of this world is nothing but an illusory screen, therefore, strive in rivalry with one another in hastening towards forgiveness from your Lord and towards the paradise whose vastness is like the vastness of the heaven and earth, prepared for those who have believed in Allah and His Messenger. This is Allah's bounty which He bestows on whomever He wills, and Allah's bounty is immense.

(AL-HADID 20-21)

No affliction befalls in the earth or in your own selves, which We have not recorded in a Book before bringing it into being. This is an easy thing for Allah. (This is done so that) you are not disheartened over what you may lose nor feel exultant over what Allah may give you. Allah does not love those who are arrogant and boastful, who are themselves stingy and urge others also to be stingy. Now whosoever turns away (shall know that) Allah is All-Sufficient and All-Praiseworthy.

(AL-HADID 22-24)

We sent Noah and Abraham and placed in the progeny of them both the Prophethood and the Book. Then some of their descendants adopted guidance but many became

transgressors. After them we sent our Messengers, one after the other, and followed them up with Jesus, son of Mary, and gave him the Gospel, and we put in the hearts of those who followed him, compassion and Mercy, but monasticism they themselves invented. We did not prescribe it for them; they invented it themselves in order to seek Allah's goodwill. But then they did not observe it as it should have been observed. We gave those of them who have believed their reward, but most of them are transgressors.

O you who have believed, fear Allah and believe in His Messenger: Allah will grant you a double portion of His Mercy and will give you a light in which you will walk, and will forgive your errors. Allah is all-Forgiving, All-Merciful. The people of the Book may know that they do not have the sole right to Allah's bounty, and that Allah's bounty is in His own hand, which He bestows on whomsoever He wills, and Allah's bounty is immense.

(AL-HADID 26-29)

Are you not aware that Allah has the knowledge of everything in the heavens and the earth? It cannot be that three persons whisper together and Allah is not the fourth of them: or five persons whisper and Allah is not the sixth of them. Whether they are fewer than this or more, Allah is with them wherever they are. Then, on the day of Resurrection, He will tell them what they have done. Allah has the knowledge of everything.

(AL-MUJUDLAH 7)

O you who have believed, when you talk secretly together, then do not talk of sin and transgression and disobedience to the Messenger, but talk of virtue and

piety, and fear that God, before whom you shall be mustered together. Conspiring secretly is the work of Satan. This is done in order to cause grief to the believers, whereas it cannot harm them at all except by Allah's leave. And let the believers put their trust in Allah alone.

(AL-MUJUDALAH 9-10)

That fact is that those who are saved from the greed of their own hearts are truly successful.

(AL-HASHR 9)

O you who have believed, fear Allah, and let everyone consider well what he has forwarded for the morrow. Fear Allah, for Allah is well aware of all that you do. Do not be like those who forgot their own selves. They indeed are the transgressors. The dwellers of hell and the dwellers of paradise cannot be alike. The dwellers of paradise alone are truly successful.

(AL-HASHR 18-20)

He is Allah besides whom there is no go. He is the knower of the unseen and the seen. He is the Compassionate and the Merciful. He is Allah besides whom there is no god. He is the sovereign, the Holy, the source of safety, the giver of peace, the guardian, the All-Mighty, the Enforcer of His decrees, and the ever Supreme. Exalted is Allah above what they associate with Him. He is Allah alone who is the planner of creation, its enforcer and its fashioner. His are the excellent names.

Whatever is there in the heavens and the earth glorifies him, and He is the Al-Mighty and the All-Wise.

(AL-HASHR 22-24)

On the day of Resurrection, neither will your relationship avail you anything nor your children. Allah on that day shall cause separation between you, and He is seer of whatever you do.

(AL-MUMTAH'NAH 3)

O you, who have believed, do not make friends with those whom Allah has condemned, who has despaired of the Hereafter just as the disbelievers, who are lying in the graves, have despaired.

(AL-MUMTAH'NAH 13)

O you who have believed, shall I tell you of a bargain that will save you from a painful torment? It is that you should believe in Allah and His Messenger, and should exert your utmost in Allah's Way with your wealth and yourselves. This would be best for you if you only knew. Allah will forgive you your sins and admit you into Garden underneath which canals flow and will give you excellent abodes in Gardens of Eternity. This indeed is a supreme success.

(AS-SAFF-10-12)

O you, who have believed, when the call is made to the prayer on Friday, hasten to the remembrance of Allah and

leave off your trading. This is better for you only if you know. Then, when the prayer is over, disperse in the land and seek Allah's bounty, and remember Allah much: may be you achieve success.

(AL-JUMU'AH 9-10)

O you, who have believed, let not your possessions and your children distract you from the remembrance of Allah. Those who do so shall indeed be the losers. Spend from the provisions that we have given you, before death should come to any one of you and then he should say, "O my Lord, why did you not reprieve me a while that I should have given in charity and become of the righteous?" But Allah does not at all reprieve a person when his term comes to an end and Allah is well aware of what you do.

(AL-MUNAFIQUN 9-11)

Has not the news reached you of those who had disbelieved before this, and then tasted the evil results of their deeds? And in the Hereafter there awaits them a painful torment. They deserved this fate because their Messengers came to them with clear signs, but they said, "Shall mere human beings show us guidance? So, they refused to believe and turned away; then Allah also became indifferent to them, and Allah is indeed Independent and Self-praiseworthy.

(AT-TAGHABUN 5-6)

No affliction can ever befall except by Allah's permission. Whoever believes in Allah, Allah guides his heart, and Allah has knowledge of everything.

Obey Allah and Obey the Messenger, but if you turn away from obedience the only responsibility of Our Messenger is to convey the Truth clearly and plainly. Allah is He beside Whom there is no god. Therefore, in Allah should the believers put their trust.

(AT-TAGHABUN 11-13)

O you who have believed, some among your wives and your children are your enemies: beware of them. And if you pardon and overlook and forgive, Allah is surely forgiving, All Merciful.

Your possessions and your children are but a trail, and it is Allah with Whom there are rich rewards. Therefore fear Allah as far as you can, and listen and obey and spend your wealth: This is for your own good.

All those who are saved from the greed of their own hearts are truly successful.

If you lend to Allah a good loan, He will pay you back manifold and will forgive you your faults. Allah is Appreciative and Forbearing. He knows the open and the hidden: He is the All-Mighty, the All-Wise.

(AT-TAGHABUN 14-18)

Whoever believes in Allah and the Last Day. Whoever fears Allah in whatever He does, Allah shall open for him a way out of the difficulties and shall provide for him from whence he could little imagine. And whoever trusts in Allah, He is enough for him. Allah brings His decrees

to fulfilment. Allah has appointed a destiny for every thing.

(AL-TALAQ 2-3)

Let the rich man spend according to his means and let the one whose means are restricted, spend out of what Allah has given him.

Allah does not burden anyone with more than what He has given him. It may well be that Allah brings about ease after hardship.

(AL-TALAQ 7)

O you have believed; turn to Allah in sincere repentance. It may well be that Allah will remove your evils from you and admit you into Gardens underneath which canals will be flowing. It will be a day when Allah will not humiliate His Prophet and those who have believed with him. Their light shall be running and before them and on their right hands and they will be saying, "Our Lord, perfect our light for us and forgive us: you have power over everything.

(AL-TAHRIM 8)

Allah cites for the disbelievers the examples of the wives of Noah and Lot. They were married to two of Our righteous servants, but they betrayed their husbands, and they could not avail them anything against Allah. To both it was said, enter the Fire along with those who enter. And for the believers, Allah cites the example of the wife

of Pharaoh, when she prayed: "O my Lord, build for me, in your presence, a house in paradise, and save me from pharaoh and his work and deliver me from the wicked people". And (Allah) cites the example of Mary, daughter of Imran, who had guarded her chastity. So We breathed into her body of Our Spirit and she testified to the words of her Lord and His Books, and she was one of the obedient.

(AL-TAHRIM 10-12)

Full of blessings is He in whose hand is the kingdom of the universe, and He has power over everything: who created death and life that He may try you to see which of you is best in deeds, and He is Almighty as well as All-Forgiving: who created seven heavens, one above the other. You will not see any fault in the creation of the Merciful. Turn up your eyes: do you see any flaw anywhere? Look up again and yet again: your look will return to you dis-appointed, wearied out.

(AL-MULK 1-4)

Those who fear their Lord unseen, for them is forgiveness and a rich reward. Whether you speak secretly or aloud (it is alike for Allah): He even knows the secrets of the hearts. Would He not know who has created? He is the knower of subtleties and is All-Aware.

(AL MULK 12-14)

He it is who has subdued the earth to you. So walk about on its chest and eat of God's provisions: to Him you shall

return on Resurrection. Do you feel secure that He who is in the heavens would not cause you to sink under ground and the earth may start rocking suddenly? Do you feel secure that He who is in the heaven would not send a whirlwind charged with stones on you? Then you shall know how terrible my warning was. And those who have gone before them also belied. Then see how severe was my chastisement; do they not see the birds above them, spreading their wings and closing them? None is upholding them but the Merciful. He it is who watches over everything. Tell, what army is there with you that can help you against the Merciful? The fact is that the disbelievers are involved in utter delusion. Or tell who is there to provide for you if the Merciful should withhold His provisions? In fact, these people persist in rebellion and aversion from the truth. Just consider: Is he who is walking prone on his face better guided or he who is walking upright on a smooth road? Say to them, Allah it is who created you, and gave you the faculties of hearing and sight and gave you the hearts to think and understand, but you are seldom grateful”.

(AL-MULK 15-23)

Your Lord best knows those who have strayed from his way and He best knows also those who are rightly guided. Therefore, do not at all yield to the beliers of the truth. They indeed wish that you should compromise a little, and then they also would compromise. Do not at all yield to any mean swearer of many oaths, who is a slanderer and a backbiter, a hinderer of good and a transgressor, wicked and oppressive, and above all ignoble by birth, only because he has plenty of wealth

and children. When our Revelations are recited to him, he says, those are tales of the ancient times. Soon we shall brand him on the snout.

(AL-QALAM 7-16)

Then, when the trumpet is blown once, and the earth and the mountains are lifted up and crushed into pieces with a single stroke, on that day shall the inevitable happen. On that day the heaven shall split asunder, and its system shall loosen. The angels shall be on its sides and eight of them on that day shall be upholding the throne of your Lord, above them. That will be the day when you shall be brought forth: no secret of yours shall remain hidden.

(AL-HAAQQAH 13-18)

A demander has asked for a torment, which must befall. It is for the disbelievers. There is none to avert it. It will come from that God who is the Owner of the Steps of Ascent. The angels and the spirit ascend to His presence in a day whose measure is fifty thousand years. So have patience, O Prophet, a graceful patience. They think it is far off, but we see it near at hand. When the heavens shall be like molten silver, and the mountains like carded wool of different colours. And no close friend shall ask after his close friend, though they will be shown to each other. To save himself from the torment of that day, the culprit shall wish to give his children, his wife, his brother, and his kinsfolk who gave him shelter, and all the people of the earth, in ransom that this device might rescue him. No, never! It will be the flame of the blazing fire that will eat up the very flesh. It shall summon to itself every such

person who drew away and turned his back and amassed wealth and guarded it jealously.

(AL-MA'ARIJ 1-18)

Indeed, man has been created impatient. When an affliction befalls him, he becomes fretful; and when good fortune falls to his lot, he becomes stingy. But those people who are the performers of SALAT; who are steadfast and ever-constant in regard to their SALAT; in whose wealth there is a due right of the beggar and the needy; who believe in the reality of the day of recompense, who dread the torment of their Lord, for the torment of their Lord is not a thing to feel secure from: who guard their private parts except with regard to their wives and those women who are legally in their possession, for in their case they are not blameworthy, but those who go beyond this are indeed transgressors who keep their trusts and their promises, who bear true witnesses, and who strictly guard their SALAT. They are those who shall live with honour in the gardens of paradise.

(AL-MA'ARIJ 19-35)

O you, who sleeps covered up, keep standing in prayer at night but a little: half the night, or lessen it a little, nor add to it a little; and recite the Qur'an calmly in a measured tone, Indeed, we are about to send down on you a weighty word. In fact, the rising by night is most effective for controlling the self and most suitable for reciting the Qur'an well; for in the day time you have many an occupation. Remember the name of your Lord

and devote yourself to Him exclusively. He is the owner of the East and the West: there is no god but He; therefore, take Him as your guardian.

(AL-MUZZAMMIL 1-9)

Every person is a pledge for his own deeds, except the people of the right hand, who shall be in gardens. They will ask the culprits, "What has brought you into Hell"? They will reply, "We were not of those who offered the SALAT, and we did not feed the poor and we used to join with those who indulged in idle talk against the Truth, and we used to belie the day of Recompense, till the inevitable overtook us". At that time, no intercession of the intercessors shall avail them anything.

(AL-MUDDATHTHIR 38-48)

No, I swear by the day of Resurrection, and no, I swear by the reproaching self. Does man think that we shall not be able to put his bones together? Why not? We have ever the power to shape and restore his very finger tips. But man desires to go on doing evil in future as well. He asks, "When is the day of Resurrection to be"? When the eyes are dazzled and the moon is darkened and the sun and the moon are brought together, the same man will say, "whither to escape"? By no means! There will be no refuge whatever. Only before your Lord that Day shall be the place of rest. Man shall be told on that Day all his former and latter deeds. Nay, man knows his own self best, even though he may offer many excuses.

(AL-QIYAMAH 1-15)

Does man think that he will be just left to himself? Was he not a mere sperm drop which is emitted? Then he became a blood-clot, then Allah formed him and fashioned his limbs in proportion; then from it He made two kinds, male and female. Has He not then the power to give life to the dead?

(AL-QIYAMAH 36-40)

Has there also passed on man a period of the endless time when he was not yet a thing worthy of mention? Indeed, we created man from a mixed sperm-drop, to try him, and therefore we made him capable of hearing and seeing. We showed him the way, whether to be grateful or disbelieving. For the disbelievers we have prepared chains and collars and a raging fire.

(AD-DAHR 1-4)

O Prophet, it is We Ourselves Who have sent down the Qur'an piecemeal to you. So be patient with regard to the command of your Lord, and do not obey any wicked or disbelieving person from among them. Remember the name of your Lord morning and evening, prostrate yourself before him in the night, and glorify him during the long hours of night. These people only love the quickly attainable (world) and neglect a heavy day that is coming ahead. It is We Who have created them and strengthened their joints, and whenever it be Our Will, We can change their forms. This is indeed an admonition. Now whoever wills, let him take the way to his Lord, but you cannot will it unless Allah wills. Indeed Allah is All-Knowing, All-Wise. He admits into His mercy whomever

He wills, and for the wrongdoers He has prepared a painful torment.

(AD-DAHR 23-31)

By the (winds) which are sent in succession, which then blow tempestuously and lift up (the clouds) and scatter them, then split (them) asunder, then infuse (the hearts) with the remembrance (of God), as an excuse or as a warning! That which you are being promised must necessarily happen. Then, when the stars become dim and the heaven is rent asunder, and the mountains are thrashed into dust, and the time of the Messenger's appointment comes, (that day it shall happen). For what day has all this been deferred? For the day of decision. And what do you know what the day of decision is? Woe on that day to the deniers (of the Truth).

Did we not destroy the former people? Then we shall follow them up with those of latter day. Thus do we deal with the culprits. Woe on that day to the deniers!

Did we not create you out of a mean fluid and kept it lodged in a secure place for an appointed term? Behold, we had power to do this, so we are excellent possessors of power? Woe on that day to the deniers.

Have we not made the earth a receptacle, both for the living and for the dead, and set in it high mountains, and given you sweet water to drink? Woe on that day to the deniers.

(AL-MURSALAT 1-28)

Is it not a fact that we have made the earth a bed and set the mountains as pegs and created you as pairs, and made your sleep for rest, and the night a covering and the day for seeking livelihood, and established above you seven strong heavens, and set a bright, blazing lamp, and rained water from the clouds in abundance that we may produce thereby corn and vegetable and thick gardens?

Surely the day of decision is an appointed time. The day the trumpet is blown, you shall come out in crowds, and the heaven shall be opened so as to become all doors, and the mountains shall be set in motion till they become as a mirage.

Hell, in fact is an ambush, the abode for the rebellious, in which they shall remain lodged for ages. In it there shall not be any coolness nor any drink, except boiling water and the washing from wounds, a full recompense. They did not expect any reckoning and had treated Our Revelations as utterly false, whereas We had counted and preserved everything in writing. Now taste it, for We shall never increase anything for you except the torment.

(AN-NABA 6-30)

The Day when the Spirit and the angels shall be standing up in ranks, none shall speak except the one whom the Merciful may permit, and who speaks what is right. That Day is sure to come. Now whoever wills, let him take the path back to his Lord.

We have warned you of the torment which is near at hand; the Day when man will see all that he has sent

forward, and the disbeliever will cry out: "Would that I were mere dust:.

(AN-NABA 38-40)

Are you (O men) harder to create, or is the heaven? Allah built it: He raised its vault high and gave it balance, and covered its night and brought forth its day. After that He spread out the earth: from within it He brought out its water and its pasture, and set the mountains in it, as a means of sustenance for you and for your cattle.

(AN-NAZL'AT 27-33)

Cursed be man! What a perverse disbeliever he is! Out of what has Allah created him? Out of a sperm-drop. Allah created him, then set him his destiny, then made the way of life easy for him, then caused him to die, and brought him to his grave. Then whenever He wills. He will raise him up again. Nay, but he has not fulfilled the duty that Allah had assigned to him. Then let man look at his food. We poured down water in abundance, then cleft the earth asunder, then caused to grow in it corns and grapes and vegetables and olives and dates and thick gardens and fruits of every kind and fodder as a means of sustenance for you and for your cattle.

(ABASA 17-32)

When the sun is folded up, when the stars scatter away, and when the mountains are set in motion, and when the ten-month pregnant she-camels are left untended, and when the beasts are gathered together, and when the

oceans are set ablaze, and when the souls are reunited, and when the infant girl, buried alive, is asked for what crime she was killed, and when the conduct books are laid open, and when the veil of heaven is removed, and when Hell is set blazing, and when paradise is brought nearer, then each person shall know what he has brought with him.

(AT-TAKVIR 1-14)

O man, what has beguiled you concerning your Lord, the gracious, who created you, fashioned you, proportioned you, and put you together in whatever form He pleased? Indeed not! But you deny rewards and punishments, although watchers have been appointed over you, honourable scribes, who know whatever you do.

Surely the righteous shall be in bliss, and the wicked shall go to Hell: they enter it on the day of Recompense, and shall never be able to be absent from it. And what do you know what the Day of Recompense is? Yes, what do you know what the Day of Recompense is? It is a day when no one shall have the power to do anything for another. Judgment on that day shall wholly rest with Allah.

(AL-INFITAR 6-19)

Woe to those who give short weight, who when they take by measure from others, take it fully, and when they measure or weigh for them, they give them less than what is due. Do they not think that they will be raised up again on a Great Day? The Day when all mankind shall stand before the Lord of the worlds.

Indeed not! Surely the conduct sheet of the wicked is in the Prison Register and what do you know what the Prison Register is? It is a written book. Woe on that to the beliers who belie the Day of Recompense and none belies it but every sinful transgressor.

(AL-MUTAFFIFIN 1-12)

The culprits used to laugh at the believers in the world. They would wink at one another when they passed by them. When they returned to their kinsfolk they would return jesting, and when they saw them, they would say, these are the people gone astray, although they had not been sent to be guardians over them. Today the believers are laughing at the disbelievers, as they recline on couches and gaze at them. Have not the disbelievers been duly rewarded for what they used to do?

(AL-MUTAFFIFIN 29-36)

O man, you are moving on towards your Lord, willy-nilly, and are about to meet Him. Then he whose conduct book is given in his right hand, shall have an easy reckoning, and he shall return to his kinsfolk rejoicing. As for him whose conduct book is given him behind his back, he shall call for death and shall enter a blazing fire. For he lived among his kinsfolk, completely absorbed, and deemed he would never return. Why not? His Lord was ever watching his misdeeds.

(AL-INSHIQAQ 6-15)

For those who persecuted the believing men and women and did not repent of it, there is the torment of Hell and the punishment of burning. As for those who believed and did good deeds, there are gardens for them beneath which canals will be flowing. This is the supreme success.

(AL-BURUJ 10-11)

By the heaven and the visitant by night, and what do you know what the visitant by night? A shining star! There is no soul without a guardian over it. Then let man at least consider from what he is created. He is created from a spurting fluid that issues forth from between the back bone and the breastbones. Surely He (the creator) has the power to create him again. The day the hidden secrets are held to scrutiny, then man will neither have any power of his own nor any helper. By the heaven that sends down rain, and by the earth that splits, it is a decisive Word: it is no jest. These people are devising some plans, and I, too, am devising a plan. So leave the disbelievers, O Prophet, leave them to themselves for a while.

(AT-TARIQ 1-17)

Truly successful was he who purified himself, and remembered the name of his Lord, then prayed. But you (O man) prefer the life of this world, although the Hereafter is better and more lasting. The same had been said in the former books, the books of Abraham and Moses.

(AL-A-LA 14-19)

But, do they not look at the camels, how they were created? And at the heaven, how it was raised high? And at the mountains, how they were firmly set? And at the earth, how it was spread out?

Well, (O Prophet), go on admonishing them, for you are only an admonisher, you are not there to coerce them. But on him who turns away and disbelieves, Allah will inflict a heavy punishment. To Us they have to return; then it is for Us to call them to account.

(AL-GHASHIYAH 17-26)

As for man, whenever his Lord tries him and honours and blesses him, he says, "My Lord has honoured me". But when He tests him and restricts his pronouns for him, he says, My Lord has disgraced me. Indeed not! But you do not treat the orphan with respect, and you do not urge one another to feed the poor, and you devour the whole of inheritance greedily, and you love the wealth with all your hearts. Indeed not! When the earth is incessantly pounded to become a sand desert and your Lord comes while the angels shall be standing in ranks, and Hell on that day is brought within sight, on that day shall man understand, but what will understanding avail him then? He will say, "Would that I had provided in advance for this life of mine!" then none can punish as Allah shall punish on that day, and none can bind as Allah shall bind.

(AL-FAJR 15-26)

Nay! I swear by this city (of Makkah), while you (O Prophet) have been made lawful in this city. And I swear

by the father (Adam) and by the children he begot that We have indeed created man in toil. Does he think that no one will have power over him? He says "I have squandered heaps of wealth". Does he think that no one has seen him? Have We not given him two eyes, and a tongue and two lips, and shown him both the high ways (of good and evil)? Yet he has not attempted the steep pass. And what do you know what the steep pass is? It is the freeing of a neck from bondage, or the feeding in a day of hunger of a nearly related orphan, or a needy one lying in the dust. Then (besides), one should be of those who have believed and exhorted one another to patience and to mercy. These are the people of the right hand. And for those who have refused to believe in our Revelations, they are the people of the left hand. They shall have a Fire covering them all around.

(AL-BALAD 1-20)

By the sun and his brightness, and by the moon when she follows him, and by the day when it makes (the sun) conspicuous, and by the night when it covers up, and by the heaven and Him Who spread it, and by the human self and Him Who balanced it, then inspired it with its wickedness and its piety. Truly successful was he who purified his self and a failure he who suppressed it.

(ASH-SHAMS 1-10)

By the night when it spreads, and the day when it shines forth, and Him Who created the male and the female: in fact, your endeavors are for different ends. So he who gave wealth (in Allah's way) and avoided (Allah's

disobedience), and believed in goodness, for him We shall facilitate the easy way. As for him who was niggardly and lived as though he was independent (of God) and belied goodness, for him We shall facilitate the hard way: And what will his wealth avail him when he perishes? Indeed, it is for Us to tell the way, and indeed, Our are both the Hereafter and this present life. So, I have warned you of the blazing Fire. None shall burn in it but the most wretched one, who belied and turned away. And away from it shall be kept the most pious one, who gives away his wealth in order to purify him. He has received no favours from anyone for which he may have to return a reward. He seeks only the good-will of his Lord, the exalted, and He will certainly be well pleased (with him).

(AL-LAIL 1-21)

(O Prophet) have we not opened up your breast for you? And removed from you the heavy burden that was weighing down your back, and exalted your renown for you. So, the fact is that along with every hardship there is also ease. Indeed, with every hardship there is also ease! Hence, when you are free, devote yourself to the labour of worship, and turn all your attention to your Lord.

(ALAM-NASHRAH 1-8)

By the fig and the olive and the Mount Sinai and this city of peace (Makkah), We have indeed created man in the finest of moulds, then We reversed him to the lowest of the low, except those who believed and did good works. For them there is a reward that shall never fail. Therefore,

who can belie you after this concerning the reward and punishment? Is not Allah the greatest of all Judges?

(AT-TIN 1-8)

Read, in the name of your Lord, who created: created man from a clot of congealed blood. Read: and your Lord is most generous, Who taught knowledge by the pen: taught man what he did not know.

Indeed not! Man behaves rebelliously for he deems himself to be independent: (although) towards your Lord indeed is the return. Have you seen the one who forbids a servant when he prays? What do you think: if (the servant) be on the right path or, be exhorting to piety? What do you think: if (the one forbidding) be belying (the truth) and turning away: Does he not know that Allah sees? By no means! If he does not desist, We shall drag him by his forelock, the forelock that is lying and utterly sinful. So let him call his band of supporters; We, too, shall call the angels for torment, Nay, never! Do not obey him, and prostrate yourself and draw closer (to your Lord).

(AL-ALAQ -19)

When the earth is shaken with her utmost shaking, and the earth casts out all the burdens from within her, and man says, "What has befallen her"? On that Day shall she relate whatever had happened (on her) because your Lord shall have commanded her (to do so)? On that Day men shall turn up in Sundry groups to be shown their works.

Then, whoever has done an atom's weight of good shall see it, and whoever has done an atom's weight of evil shall see it.

(AL-ZILZAL 1-8)

By those (horses) who run with panting breath, then dash off sparks (with their hoofs); then charge suddenly early in the morning; then raise up dust in doing so; then penetrate through (the foe) all of them. The fact is that man is highly ungrateful to his Lord; and he himself is a witness to this and he loves the worldly wealth with all his heart. But does he not know the time when all that lies (buried) in the graves shall be brought out, and all that lies (hidden) in the breasts shall be divulged and examined? Surely their Lord on that Day shall be well informed of them.

(AL-ADIIYAT 1-11)

The Great Disaster! What is the Great Disaster? And what do you know what that Great Disaster is? The Day when men shall be like scattered moths and the mountains like carded wool of different colours. Then, he whose scales are heavy shall be in a state of bliss, and he whose scales are light shall have the deep pit for his dwelling. And what do you know what this is? A raging Fire.

(AL-QARI'AH 1-4)

Your craze for more and more and mutual rivalry for worldly gains has made you heedless, until you reach the

graves. By no means! Soon you shall know! Yes by no means! Soon you shall know. Nay! Had you known with certainty of knowledge? You shall certainly see Hell. Yes, you shall most certainly see it. Then on the Day, you shall certainly be called to account for the comforts of life.

(AT-TAKATHUR 1-8)

By the time! Man is surely in great loss, except those who believed and did good works, and exhorted one another to the Truth and exhorted one another to patience.

(AL-ASR 1-3)

Doomed (to ruin) is every such person who slanders others and backbites them habitually, who amassed wealth and counted it over and over again. He thinks that his wealth will remain with him for ever. Nay, never! He shall be hurled into the crushing place. And what do you know what the crushing place is? It is the Fire of Allah, kindled brightly, which shall rise to the hearts. It will be covered down on them (in a way that) they shall be (enclosed) by tall columns.

(AL-HUMAZAH 1-9)

Have you seen him who belies the rewards and punishments of the Hereafter? He it is who drives away the orphan and does not urge the feeding of the poor. Then woe to those praying ones who are heedless of their prayers, who do good to be seen, and withhold common necessities.

(AL-MA'UN 1-7)

Say: "O disbelievers, I do not worship those whom you worship, nor are you worshippers of Him whom I worship, nor am I a worshipper of those whom you have worshipped, nor are you worshippers of Him whom I worship. For you is your religion and for me is mine.

(AL-KAFIRUN 1-6)

Say: He is Allah, the one and only. Allah is independent of all and all are dependent on him. Neither has He an offspring nor is He the offspring of anyone; and none is equal with him in ranks.

(AL-IKHLAS 1-4)

Say: I seek refuge in the Lord of the dawn, from the evil of everything that he has created, and from the evil of the darkness of night when it overspreads, and from the evil of the blowers (men or women) into knots, and from the evil of the envious when he envies.

(AL-FALAQ 1-5)

Say: I seek refuge in the Lord of mankind, the king of mankind, the real God of mankind, from the evil of the whisperer, who returns over and over again, who whispers into the hearts of men, whether he is from among the jinn or mankind.

(AN-NAS 1-6)



Rest assured that whosoever from among the Muslims or the Jews or the Christians or the Sabenas believes in Allah and the last day, and performs good deeds, he will have his reward with his Lord and he will have no cause for fear and grief.

(AL-BAQARAH 62)



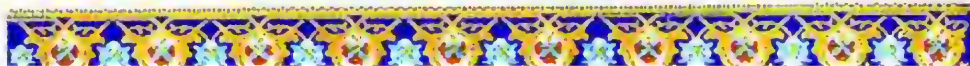
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Ar-Rahman





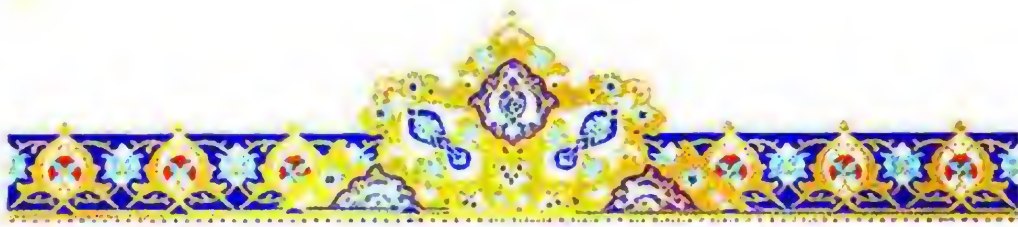
It is no virtue that you turn your faces towards the East or West, but virtue is that one should sincerely believe in Allah and the Last Day and the angels and the Book and the Prophet and, out of His love, spend of one's choice, wealth for relatives and orphans, for the needy and the wayfarer, for beggars and for the ransom of slaves and establish Salat and pay Zakat.

(AL-BAQARAH 177)



Which excellences of your Lord's power will you deny?

Ar-Rahman



When anyone greets in a respectable manner, greet him with a better salutation than his or at least return the same, indeed Allah takes count of everything.

(AN- NISA 87)



Which of your Lord's glories will you deny ?

Ar - Rahman





*This worldly life is but a sport
and pastime. In fact, the abode of
the hereafter is better for those
who desire to be safe from harm.
Will you not, then, use your
common sense?*

(AL-ANAM 32)



Which of your Lord's glories will you deny?

Ar - Rahman





*We established you on the earth
entrusting you with power and
providing you with sustenance,
but, you are seldom grateful.*

(AL-A-RAF 10)

*I am very forgiving and merciful,
but at the same time My
chastisement is also very severe.*

(AL-HIJR 49-50)



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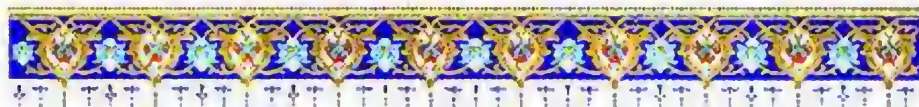
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Note it well that it is Allah's remembrance alone that brings comfort to the hearts. Blessed are those who have accepted the message and done righteous deeds: they have a good end.

(AR-RAID 29)



Which excellences of your Lord's power will you deny?

Ar - Rahman





Whosoever adopts the righteous way, his righteous conduct will be for his own good, and whosoever goes astray, his deviation shall bring its consequences on him. No bearer will bear the burden of another.

(BANI ISRAIL 11-13)



Which of your Lord's glories will you deny?

Ar - Rahman



Treat your parents with great consideration, if either or both of them live with you in their old age, do not say even fie to them; nor rebuke them but speak kind words to them; treat them with humility and tenderness and pray: Lord be merciful to them just as they brought me up with kindness and affection.

(BANI ISRAIL 23)



Which of your Lord's glories will you deny?



*Keep your pledges for you shall be
accountable for your pledges.*

(BANI ISRAIL 27)

*Do not strut about in the land,
for you can neither cleave the
land nor attain the heights of the
mountains.*

(BANI ISRAIL 37)



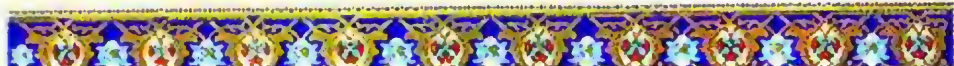
Which of your Lord's blessings will you deny?

Ar - Rahman



Man is such that when a little affliction touches him, he calls upon Us, and when We bestow our favour on him, he says, "I have been given this because of my knowledge". Nay, it is a trial, but most of them do not know.

(AZ-ZUMAR 49)



Which of your Lord's bounties will you deny?

Ar - Rahman





Whoever does good will do so for his ownself and whoever does evil will himself bear its consequences. Your Lord is never unjust to His servants.

(HA MIM AS-SAJDAH 46)



Which of your Lord's glories will you deny ?

Ar - Rahman



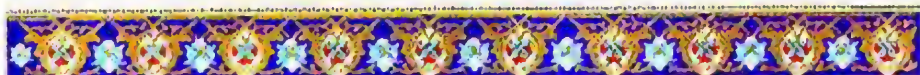


*It may be that you dislike a thing
and the same is good for you, and
you love a thing and the same is
bad for you: Allah knows and
you do not.*

(AL-BAQARAH)

*If you act generously, it is akin to
piety. Do not forget to show
generosity in your dealings with
one another, for Allah sees what
you do.*

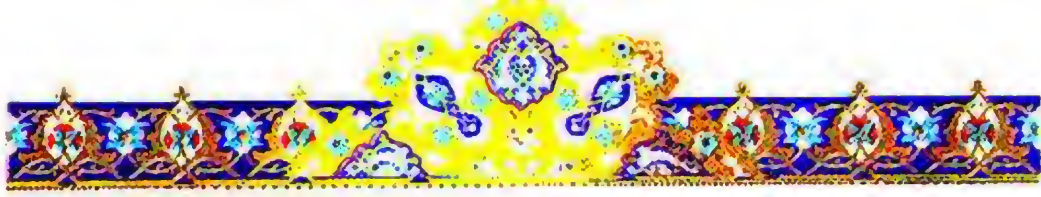
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Which of your Lord's blessings will you deny ?

Ar - Rahman





Those people who expend their wealth in the way of Allah and then do not follow up their charity with reminders of their generosity, nor injure the feelings of the recipient, shall get their reward from their Lord, they will have no fear and no sorrow of any kind. A kind word and forbearance is better than that charity which is followed up by insult and injury.

(AL-BAQARAH)



Which of your Lord's bounties will you deny?

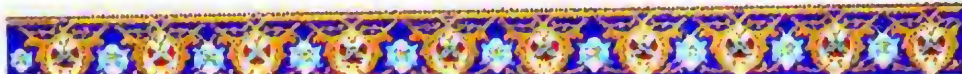
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Expend in Allah's way the best portion of the wealth you have earned and what We have produced for you from the earth, and do not pick out for charity those worthless things which you yourselves would only accept in disdain by connivance, if they were offered to you.

(AL-BAQARAH)



Which of Lord's powers will you deny ?

Ar - Rahman





Confound not the Truth with falsehood nor conceal it knowingly. Establish SALAT, pay Zakat and bow before Me along with those who bow down. How is it that you enjoin others to follow the Right Way, but forget it yourselves, though you read the scriptures? Have you no sense at all? Seek help with SALAT and fortitude, no doubt, SALAT is a hard task but not for those obedient servants, who realize that ultimately they shall meet their Lord and return to Him.

(AL-BAQARAH 42-46)

Which of your Lord's blessings will you deny?

Ar-Rahman





The people ask "what should we spend" tell them, "whatever you spend, spend for your parents, your relatives, orphans, the needy and the wayfarer, and Whatever good you do, Allah has knowledge of it"

(AL-BAQARAH 215)



Which of your Lord's blessings will you deny?

Ar - Rahman





Do not use Allah's name for such oaths as are taken to keep back from virtue, piety and the welfare of mankind. Allah hears everything you utter and knows everything. Allah does not call you to account for unintentional and meaningless oaths but will surely take you to task for oaths taken deliberately and in earnest: Allah is forgiving and forbearing.

(AL-BAQARAH 224-225)



Which of your Lord's glories will you deny ?

Ar - Rahman





Let not those whom Allah has blessed with His bounty and are behaving in a niggardly manner think it to be good for themselves; nay, it is very bad for them. Whatever they are hoarding parsimoniously shall be hung round their necks like a collar on the Day of Resurrection; for Allah alone will inherit all that is in the heaven and the earth and He is fully aware of what you are doing.

(AL-I-IMRAN 180)



Which of your Lord's glories will you deny ?

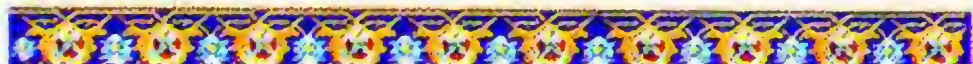
Ar - Rahman





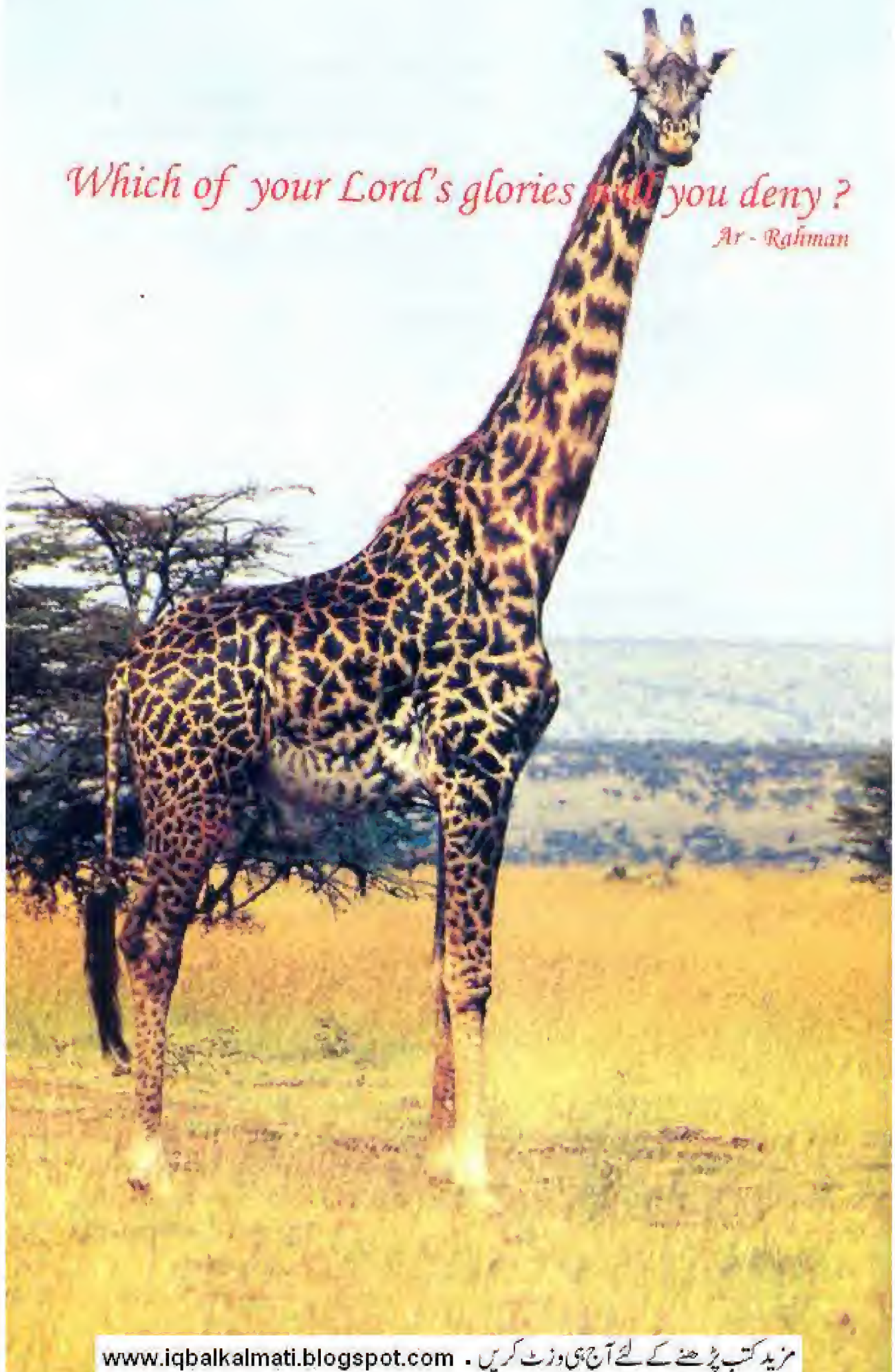
Do not offer prayer if you are intoxicated; for prayer should be offered only when you know what you are saying. Likewise do not offer prayer, if you are unclean, until you take your baths, except when passing on the way and if you are sick or on a journey or if any one of you has relieved himself or you have touched woman and can find no water, then cleanse yourself with pure dust by rubbing it on your face and hands; no doubt Allah is Lenient and Forgiving,

(AN-NISA 43)



Which of your Lord's glories will you deny ?

Ar - Rahman





Be steadfast in righteousness and just in giving witnesses for the sake of Allah; the enmity of any people should not so provoke you as to turn you away from justice. Do justice for it is akin to piety. Fear Allah: indeed He is fully aware of what you do.

(AL-MAIDAH 8)



Which of your Lord's glories will you deny?

Ar - Rahman





There have been many habitations which we destroyed. Our scourge came upon them all of a sudden at night or at a time during the day when they were taking rest. And when Our scourge overtook them, the only cry they could utter was "indeed, we were transgressors".

(AL-A-RAF 4-5)



Which excellences of your Lord's power will you deny?

Ar - Rahman





If We show man our mercy and then deprive him of it, he is filled with despair and shows ingratitude. And if after the adversity that had visited him, We bestow favours upon him, he says, "All my sorrows have gone from me" and grows over jubilant and arrogant. Only those are free from this, who are steadfast and do good deeds: they are the ones who will have forgiveness and a rich reward.

(HVD 9-11)

Which of your Lord's glories will you deny?

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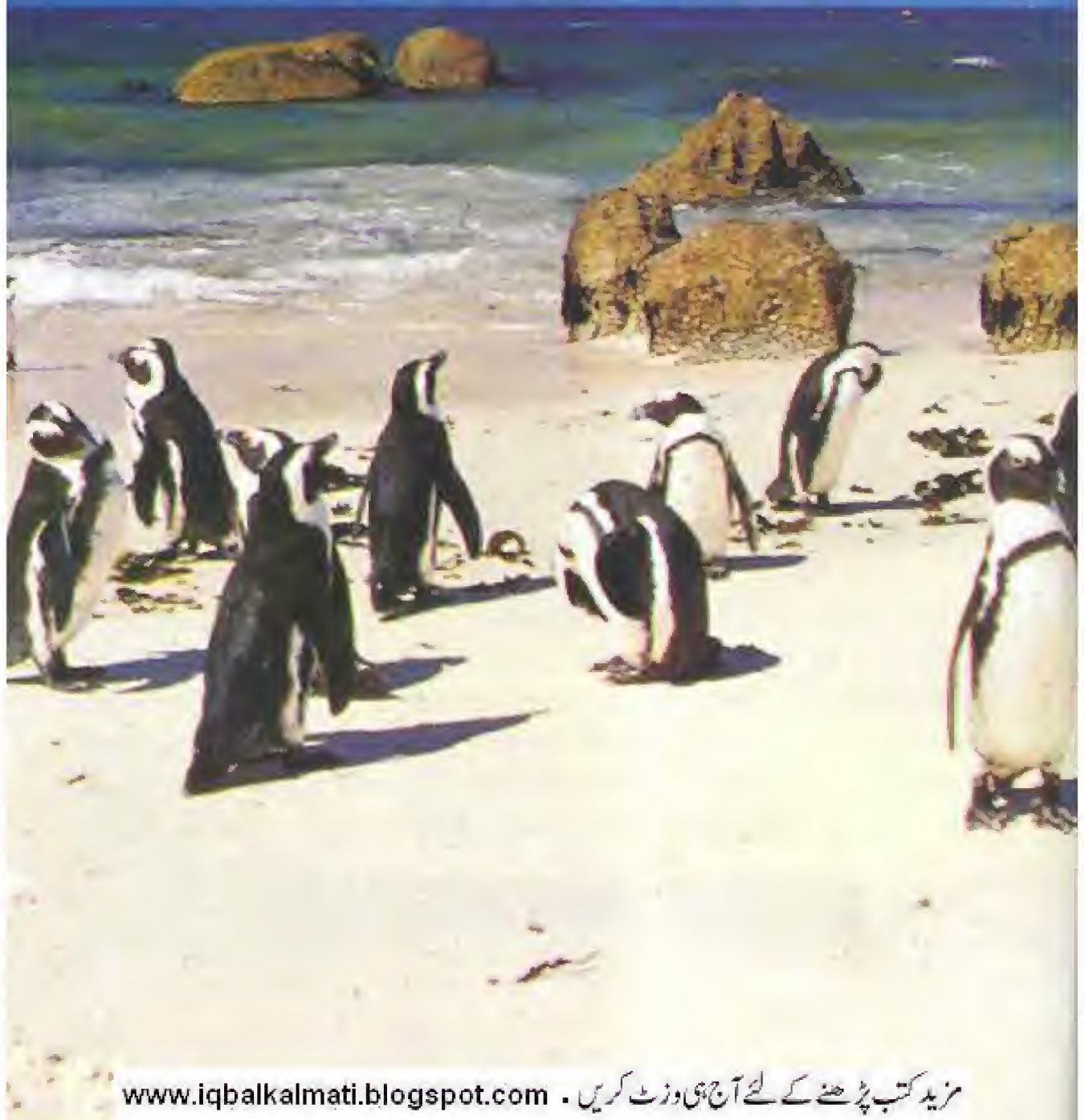


Allah gives abundantly His provision to whom He wills and sparingly to whom He pleases. These people are wholly absorbed in the joys of this life, whereas the life of this world is but a paltry thing as compared with the life of the Hereafter.

(AR-RAD 26)

Which of your Lord's glories will you deny ?

Ar-Rahman






Indeed, the Qur'an shows that way which is perfectly straight. To those who believe in it and do good deeds, it gives the good news that there is a great reward for them, and to those who do not believe in the hereafter, it gives the warning that a painful torment has been made ready for them.

(BANI ISRA'IL 9-10)





Which of your Lord's glories will you deny ?

Ar - Rahman.



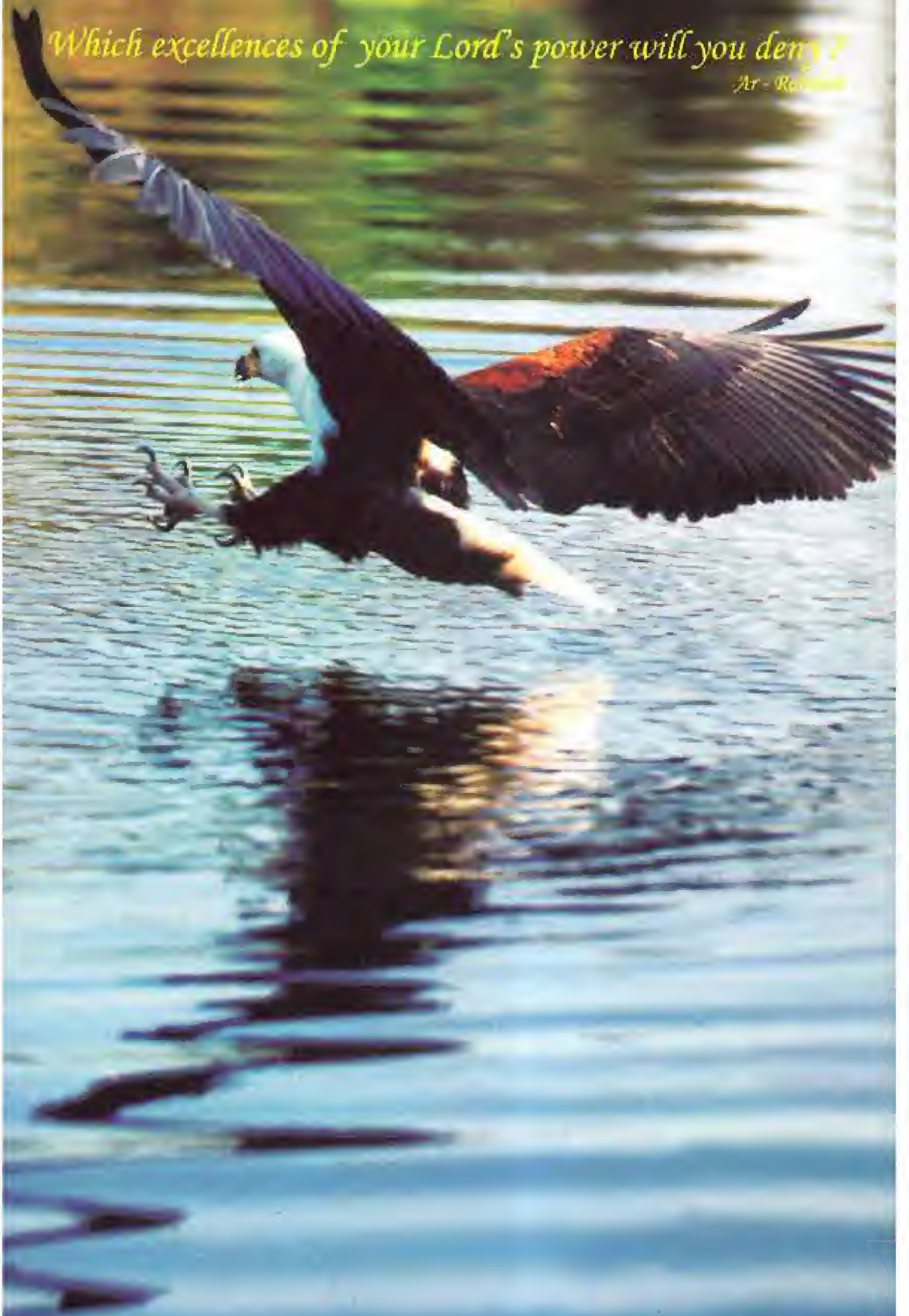
On the day of resurrection, We shall set up just and accurate balances so that no one will be wronged in the least in anyway; even if it be an act equal in weight to a grain of mustard seed, We shall bring it forth and We suffice for reckoning.

(AL-ANBIYAA 47)



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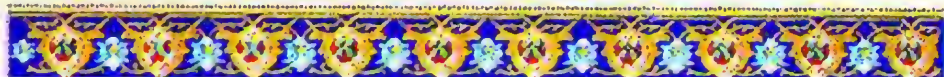
Ar-Rahman





If all the trees in the earth were to become pens and the ocean which is replenished with ink by seven more oceans, Allah's words would not exhaust. Allah is indeed Almighty and All-Wise. Your creation and your resurrection are as simple for Him as of a single soul. The fact is that Allah hears everything and sees everything.

(LUQMAN 26-28)



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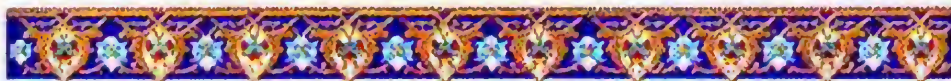
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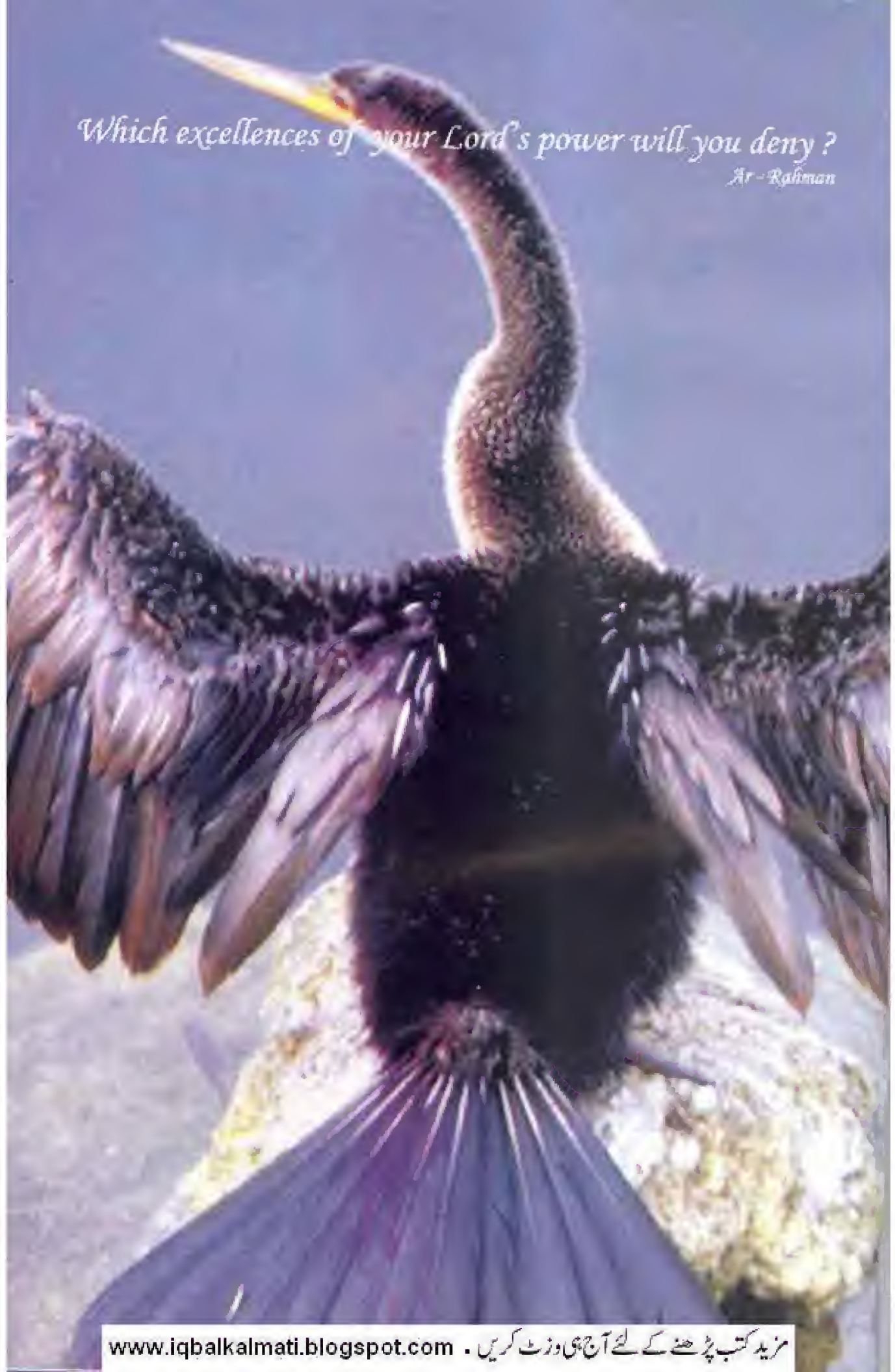


Whoever seeks honour should know that honour wholly belongs to Allah. Only pure word rises up to Him, and the righteous deed causes it to rise. As for those who plot evil, there is a severe torment for them, and their plotting shall itself perish.

(FATIR 10)



Which excellences of your Lord's power will you deny?
Ar-Rahman





O you who have believed, neither men should mock other men, it may be that these are better than they, nor should women mock other women, it may be that these are better than they. Do not taunt one another among yourselves nor call one another by nicknames. It is an evil thing to be called by a bad name after faith. Those who do not avoid this are wrongdoers.

(AL-HUJURAT 11)



Which of your Lord's glories will you deny ?

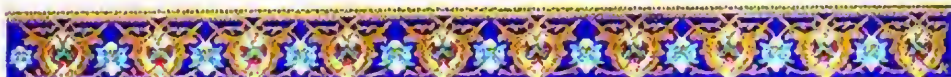
Ar - Rahman





O mankind, We created you from one man and one woman, and then divided you into nations and tribes so that you may recognize one another. Indeed the most honourable among you in the sight of Allah is he who is the most pious of you. Surely, Allah is All-knowing, All-wise.

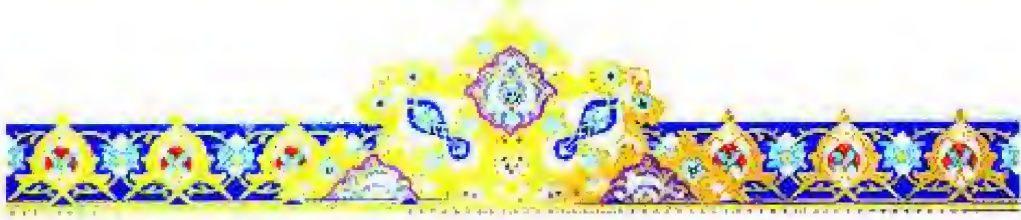
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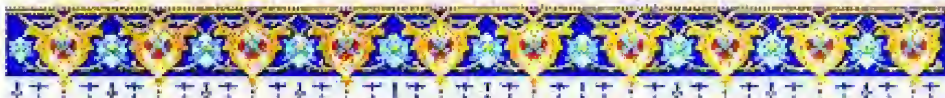
Ar - Rahman





Who avoids grave sins and open indecencies save the minor offence. Surely your Lord is liberal in forgiveness. He knows you well from the time He produced you from the earth and when you were yet embryos in your mother's bellies: Therefore do not claim piety for yourself: He alone knows best who is really pious and God fearing.

(AN-NAJM 31-32)



Which of your Lord's glories will you deny?
Ar - Rahman



It is no virtue that you turn your faces towards the East or West, but virtue is that one should sincerely believe in Allah and the Last Day and the angels and the Book and the Prophet and, out of His love, spend of one's choice wealth for relatives and orphans, for the needy and the wayfarer, for beggars and for the ransom of slaves and establish SALAT and pay Zakat. And the virtuous are those who keep their pledges when they make them and show fortitude in hardships and adversity and in the struggle between the truth and falsehood, such are the truthful people and such are the pious.

(AL-BAQARAH-177)